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'Those memories don't leave you'

For Sandy Hook families, every mass shooting traumatizes again

By Taylor Hartz
Hartford Courant

Mark Barden said that all week he's been keeping track of the timeline the families in Uvalde, Texas, are on.

"My wife Jackie and I have been kind of tracking along, moment to moment, what these families have been going through," he said.

On Tuesday night the couple went for a drive to clear their heads. They wound their way out of their neighborhood in Sandy Hook to distance themselves from the pain, from the memories that were pushing even closer to the surface than they have been every day for 9 ½ years.

In the silence of the solemn drive Jackie Barden turned to her husband.

"Out of the blue she said to me, 'It's their Friday night.' "

He knew exactly what she meant.

"She was referring to the night of Dec. 14, 2012, when we were trying to wrap our heads around the fact that our sweet little 7-year-old son Daniel had been shot to death in his first-grade classroom."

Their home was full that night, Barden said, with loved ones there to console them. But it was also empty — empty of their children, normally so tight-knit that they shared a bed most nights.

Natalie and James Barden, then

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Daniel Barden embraces his father, Mark Barden. Daniel was fatally shot Dec. 14, 2012, when a gunman entered Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown and opened fire, killing 26 people. **BARDEN FAMILY/ COURTESY**



Home sales are slowing in Greater Hartford this spring as new listings dwindle. **COURANT FILE PHOTO**

Hunting for a house in tight area market?

Here are 10 Greater Hartford towns and cities where your odds are better

By Kenneth R. Gosselin | Hartford Courant

Greater Hartford's red-hot home buying market — touched off by the pandemic — is cooling this spring, with sales slowing as the number of properties coming on the market dwindles and rising interest rates are pricing out more buyers.

An analysis by The Courant of SmartMLS data provided by the Greater Hartford Association of Realtors shows that for the first four months of this year, sales of single-family houses fell in more than two-thirds of the 27 towns and cities tracked by the association, compared with the same period in 2021.

New listings — essential to providing fresh choices and options for would-be buyers — fell on the same year-over-year basis in all but three municipalities tracked by the association stretching from Suffield to Rocky Hill and Canton to Willington.

Kurt Potter, a real estate broker at RE/MAX Right Choice Real Estate in Glastonbury, said the scarcity of new listings has forced many potential sellers to the sidelines, worried they won't be able to find a new home if they sell the one they now own.

"You have to have a back-up plan, a rental or something else, just in case you can't find something," Potter said. "So what that does, it further decreases the inventory because you have people who would have otherwise put their home on the market and they are not able to."

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Activists: Still a ways to go on racism

Two years after Floyd's death, progress has been made in Connecticut. But leaders push for more.

By Deidre Montague
Hartford Courant

Two years ago, America was forced to face its racism in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic as citizens around the world watched George Floyd, a Black man, crying, "I can't breathe," and calling for his mother in his last moments of life.

The world watched as Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin, a white man, ignored Floyd's pleas,kneeling on his neck until Floyd's life was extinguished.

Floyd's murder on May 25, 2020, sparked a major racial reckoning worldwide, as people gathered together to protest police

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RIGHT: A mural depicting George Floyd at George Floyd Memorial Square is seen on May 22, 2021, in Minneapolis. **KENT NISHIMURA/LOS ANGELES TIMES**

TEXAS SCHOOL SHOOTING

Probe focus put on police

While rare, charges possible in wake of Uvalde massacre

By Stefanie Dazio
Associated Press

The actions — or more notably, the inaction — of a school district police chief and other law enforcement officers have become the center of the investigation into last week's shocking school shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

The delay in confronting the shooter — who was inside the school for more than an hour — could lead to discipline, lawsuits and even criminal charges against police.

The attack that left 19 children and two teachers dead in a fourth grade classroom was the nation's deadliest school shooting in nearly a decade, and for three days police offered a confusing and sometimes contradictory timeline that drew public anger and frustration.

By Friday, authorities acknowledged that students and teachers repeatedly begged 911 operators for help while the police chief told more than a dozen officers to wait in a hallway at Robb Elementary School. Officials said he believed the suspect was barricaded inside adjoining classrooms and that there was no longer an active attack.

The chief's decision — and the

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State's seaweed industry growing

Kelp fishing is growing slowly in Connecticut, but a handful of scientists, farmers and chefs believe the industry can bolster the state's economy and help heal the environment. **Connecticut, Page 1**

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Housing

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The onset of COVID-19 gave the housing market in Greater Hartford — and throughout much of Connecticut — a jolt after more than a decade trying to dig out of the deep recession in the late 2000s.

Instead of dampening sales, the pandemic whipped them up as buyers fled from urban areas in New York and elsewhere, and residents already in Connecticut sought larger homes to accommodate working remotely.

Sale prices soared as properties coming up for sale sometimes had dozens of frenzied bidders and deals were sealed in days, if not hours. The Hartford metro area made national rankings in late 2020 and 2021 as among the hottest home sale markets in the country, once topping the list.

"You're still seeing a lot of activity on the listings but not quite to the extent that we were seeing," Joanne Breen, associate broker at ERA Hart Sargis-Breen in Newington. "Not the crazy 50 showings in two days and 25 offers coming. I think that's settling down."

Breen said she recently listed a house in Farmington that sold in three days that still had more than one offer.

In the first four months of this year, the median sale price — in which half the sales are above, half below — rose more than 4% to $302,500 from $289,900. The increase is far more modest than the double-digit gains of a year ago.

Breen said sale prices were still certainly increasing early in the year.

"But I think when you get to the fall and you're looking back at the summer, I think the rate of increase is going to be dropping some," Breen said. "Do I think prices are going down? Absolutely not. I don't think they are going to go down anytime soon, but I do think it's leveling off."

Economist Donald L. Klepper-Smith said the underpinnings of the state's housing market remain strong, unlike in the late 1980s when new houses and condominiums flooded the market, later leading to a collapse in prices.

Three decades ago, there was a string of years with as many as 27,000 housing starts in the state. In the past few years, there have been three or four thousand, Klepper-Smith said.

"We've seen a considerable amount of appreciation in such a short period of time, it was unrealistic to think that it is going to continue," Klepper-Smith said.

There could still be gains but only matching job recovery, which is still "quite a ways" from the most recent employment peak in Connecticut.

"You're going to see the housing market making some progress but the adjective that I would use would be 'modest' relative to what we've seen," Klepper-Smith said. "Many of the strong gains are behind us."

Inflation remains a potential stumbling block translating into higher fuel and grocery costs, leaving less income for housing. And as the Federal Reserve is poised to make aggressive moves in raising short-term interest rates, mortgage rates are likely to follow.

Klepper-Smith said he believes there is a 50-50 chance of recession in the next year, according to his latest forecast.

Potter said higher mortgage rates — up about 2 percentage points since January — are hitting first-time buyers especially hard.

Increasing borrowing costs come on top of rising list prices that are putting purchases out of reach for some entry-level buyers, Potter said.

"Their buying power has been decreased," Potter said. "It's definitely contributing to the number of home sales going downward."

So, the bottom line is: the inventory of single-family houses is tight no matter where you look in Greater Hartford.

But here is a look at the top 10 towns and cities in the area with the least declines — and a few with increases — in the first four months of this year, compared with the same period in 2021. Finding a house, though, may still be a tough slog.

To make this top 10, the town or city had to have at least 25 sales in the January to April timeframe.



Salsa Socials on Pratt Street in downtown Hartford will be held again this summer. **SEAN FOWLER/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**



The Dewey-Granby oak, a 450-year-old tree on Day Street in Granby, is considered a town treasure. **CLOE POISSON/HARTFORD COURANT**

1. Windsor Locks

New listings: 53
Change from 2021: +13%
Sales: 29
Change from 2021: -17%
Median Sale Price: $233,000
Change from 2021: +7%
Population: 12,671
Median household income: $70,067
Area (square miles): 9

2. Hartford

New listings: 107
Change from 2021: +8%
Sales: 92
Change from 2021: +30%
Median Sale Price: $210,000
Change from 2021: +10%
Population: 123,088
Median household income: $36,278
Area (square miles): 17

3. East Hartford

New listings: 184
Change from 2021: 0%
Sales: 165
Change from 2021: +9%
Median Sale Price: $224,000
Change from 2021: +15%
Population: 50,272
Median household income: $55,967
Area (square miles): 18

4. Avon

New listings: 101
Change from 2021: -1%
Sales: 48
Change from 2021: -28%
Median Sale Price: $535,000
Change from 2021: +22%
Population: 18,132
Median household income: $131,130
Area (square miles): 23

5. Granby

New listings: 49
Change from 2021: -2%
Sales: 37
Change from 2021: -21%
Median Sale Price: $370,000
Change from 2021: -1%
Population: 11,361
Median household income: $121,250
Area (square miles): 41

6. Tolland

New listings: 72
Change from 2021: -4%
Sales: 37
Change from 2021: -36%
Median Sale Price: $336,000
Change from 2021: +14%
Population: 14,713
Median household income: $118,194
Area (square miles): 40

7. Stafford

New listings: 50
Change from 2021: -4%
Sales: 42
Change from 2021: -4%
Median Sale Price: $255,000
Change from 2021: +5%
Population: 11,881
Median household income: $74,386
Area (square miles): 58

8. Vernon

New listings: 101
Change from 2021: -6%
Sales: 66
Change from 2021: -16%
Median Sale Price: $238,750
Change from 2021: -4%
Population: 29,232
Median household income: $64,587
Area (square miles): 18

9. Bloomfield

New listings: 79
Change from 2021: -6%
Sales: 65
Change from 2021: 0%
Median Sale Price: $270,000
Change from 2021: +12%
Population: 21,022
Median household income: $76,717
Area (square miles): 26

10. Windsor

New listings: 109
Change from 2021: -7%
Sales: 90
Change from 2021: +1%
Median Sale Price: $290,000
Change from 2021: +14%
Population: 28,859
Median household income: $92,199
Area (square miles): 30

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Saturday, May 28

PLAY3 DAY
4 5 3 **WB:** 0

PLAY4 DAY
9 4 6 6 **WB:** 2

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FRIDAY'S LATE NUMBERS

PLAY3 NIGHT
6 0 7 **WB:** 6

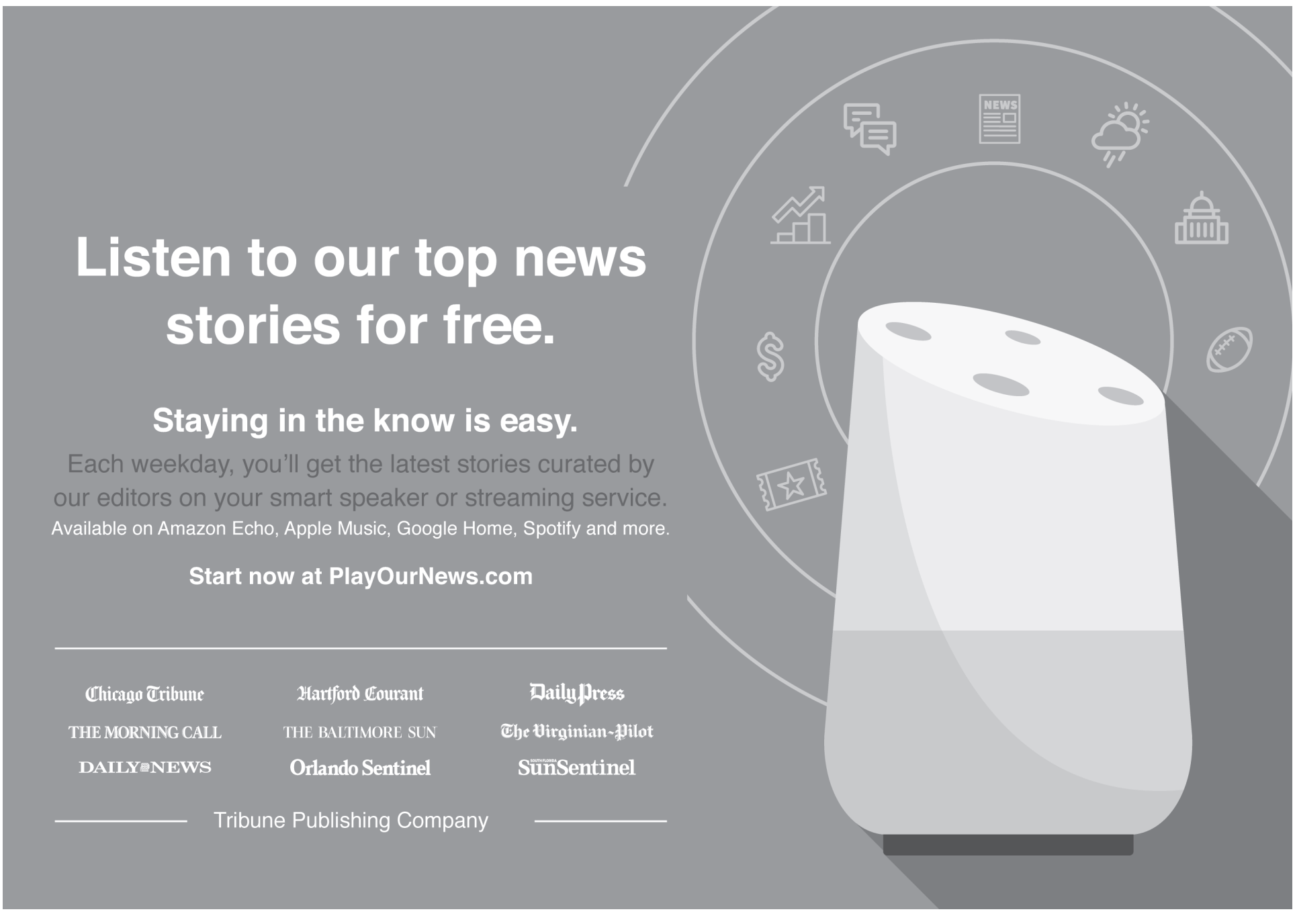
PLAY4 NIGHT
2 6 1 8 **WB:** 2

CASH 5
4 6 7 19 35

LUCKY FOR LIFE
2 3 17 38 47 **LB:** 1

LOTTO
1 11 23 27 32 37
Zero first-prize ticket(s) sold.

MEGA MILLIONS
3 14 40 53 54 **MB:** 8 **MP:** 3
Tuesday's est. Lotto jackpot: $1 million
Tuesday's est. Mega Millions jackpot: $170 million



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Families

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10 and 11, were still at a neighbor's house where they'd been ushered to safety when their own school went into lockdown. By nightfall they'd be brought home and led to an upstairs bedroom, where their parents would deliver the news: Their baby brother Daniel, with his long red hair and toothless smile, wasn't coming home.

"No one should ever have to go through that," said Barden. "That was just unspeakable."

Another mass shooting at another elementary school makes Barden's pain harder to bear than it already is and makes it fresh again.

"This particular latest [school shooting] with all the similarities, it certainly does exacerbate all of those intense emotions that are already there," he said.

The mass shooting that killed 19 children and two teachers in Uvalde, Texas, on Tuesday closely mirrored the horrific massacre at Sandy Hook that has scarred Connecticut, as home to one of the most harrowing school shootings in United States history.

In 2012 Adam Lanza killed his mother at her home and then headed to Sandy Hook, where he fatally shot six educators and 20 children, aged 6 and 7, with an AR-15. He fatally shot himself inside the school.

This past Tuesday 18-year-old Salvador Ramos shot his grandmother and then took two AR-15s he had just legally purchased after turning 18 to Robb Elementary School, killing 21 people, 19 of them children aged 9, 10 and 11. He was killed by police inside the school.

For both young men there were warning signs.

Ramos sent social media warnings. He posted photos of weapons. He showed signs of anger, isolation, bullying and suicidal ideation, said Sandy Hook Promise co-founder Nicole Hockley.

His behavior "echoed" Lanza's, added Hockley, whose own son, Dylan, died in his teacher's arms in Sandy Hook.

Hockley learned the news of the Uvalde shooting in a meeting with Barden for Sandy Hook Promise, their national nonprofit aimed at providing the type of intervention they believe could have saved lives in Uvalde, one that teaches people, especially children, to recognize the warning signs of potential school shooters.

From her home in Delaware Michele Gay learned about the shooting while she was sitting on her couch catching up on emails between meetings. Gay's daughter, Josephine "Joey" Gay, was also killed at Sandy Hook Elementary, just a day before her 7th birthday party.

She started to get messages like, "Did you see this?" Gay, now the executive director and cofounder of Safe and Sound Schools, turned to the comfort of her family, her husband and her two other daughters — now aged 18 and 20 — who have grown up without their little sister.

"One of my daughters was just completely numb," Gay said. "She asked me, 'Is something wrong with me that I'm not crying? I don't feel anything. I'm just like, frozen.'

"My other daughter was just emotional right away seeing those pictures [from Uvalde] and really reliving her own experiences as well."

Gay told her daughters that however they felt, whatever trauma was resurfacing, it was OK.

"It was really important to have a conversation about how we're all going to process this differently," she said. "Your body, your mind and your heart, they're all going to respond the way they're going to respond. The way you're feeling right now may be very different tomorrow or the next day as this works through you."

For Hockley, the trauma first returned as a numbness too.

"I was in shock, plain and simple," she said. "Shock and maybe PTSD. That reliving, that re-traumatizing."

She threw herself into work even though she was on "an emotional roller coaster of anger, sadness, fear, of wanting to find my surviving son Jake and just hold him and not let him go."

Hockley said the tragedy at Sandy Hook feels like just yesterday most days. It's only when she looks at Jake, who is about to graduate high school, that she realizes how long it's been.

As she relived the trauma of Dylan's death again this week, she checked in with everyone in her family and her team, that works to prevent these shootings from happening.

"My first thought Wednesday morning was, I remember that Saturday, waking up and thinking that had to have been a nightmare, that couldn't have really happened," she said. "That's what 19 families, 21 families, are going through right now."



The Hockley family, Dylan, Ian, Nicole, and Jake. Dylan was killed at Sandy Hook Elementary School in 2012. **HOCKLEY FAMILY/COURTESY**



Michele Gay, mother of Josephine "Joey" Gay, center, who was killed at Sandy Hook Elementary School in 2012, found comfort in her family after learning about Tuesday's shooting in Texas. **MICHELE GAY/COURTESY**

Barden was thinking the same thing.

"For us, it was waking up Saturday morning and having to relive that all over again and come to terms with the fact that this is real," he said.

He still has to come to terms with the reality sometimes.

"To this day, coming up on 10 years, I still have days that in my dreams this wasn't real," Barden said. "The whole thing wasn't real. Daniel is with us as a happy, vibrant 16-year-old."

They know all too well what the parents in Uvalde are going to experience.

Gay said that in those first few days after the Sandy Hook massacre she remembers being "very busy, just figuring out how to breathe."

"It feels so wrong when someone who is so much a part of your being and your life and your every minute is suddenly not there," she said. "It's just not right. It's traumatic."

And it still is.

"Sometimes it sneaks up on you — you think you're doing great and then you get sidelined," Gay said. "And certainly a week like this one, watching those families walk through this, practically to the same timeline of everything that we experienced almost 10 years ago, it's definitely one of those times."

Over the past decade there have been so many mass shootings that brought back those memories. In just the first four months of 2022 organizations that track shooting data have recorded more than 212 mass shootings.

"There have been so many tragedies that have happened since our tragedy, and each one of them has been painful to watch from afar," said Gay. "Those feelings, those memories, they don't leave you.

"So to see somebody else having to walk through that is another level of heartbreak."

This one hit harder, she said. It was combined with discouragement and frustration that, despite the work they've poured themselves into since their children's murders, other families were still feeling the same pain.

Dr. Javeed Sukhera, chair of Psychiatry at the Institute of Living, said that it's only natural for it to hurt a bit more for people here in Connecticut because it hits so close to home.

"A lot of people in Connecticut are both directly and indirectly traumatized by what happened in Newtown and are still healing, and that's why this is that much more painful," he said.

"It feels like its pain upon pain. It's compounded by not just what happened in Buffalo that so many people are so traumatized by, but every time this happens. In the state of Connecticut it's so particularly traumatizing for people in this community that it's hard to find words."

When trauma like this happens, Sukhera said, it reopens old wounds and hurts more because it is that trauma plus this trauma.

"For everyone who remembers what that moment was like when those children didn't come home, watching the same thing happen in Texas brings all those memories back, amplified and magnified in terms of pain," he said.

Sukhera said that anyone feeling traumatized should know that that feeling is valid.

"I would tell them to not be ashamed of it, to not pretend like it's an ordinary day but to honor your emotions, however complex and messy they might feel," he said. "We need to give ourselves the space and grace to not pretend like we should just move on and go through the motions like it's any other day."



Kristin Song tears up as she reads a statement about her life after her son Ethan died before the signing of Ethan's Law in 2019. Ethan's Law put in place new regulations on the storage of firearms in houses with children. **COURANT FILE PHOTO**

Kristin Song, whose 15-year-old son Ethan was killed when he was accidentally shot by an unsecured gun in a friend's house in Guilford, said that on Tuesday when news started to filter in about the shooting in Uvalde, she turned her phone off for most of the day.

Her other son had just graduated from high school, and although the occasion was one to celebrate, it was also marred by Ethan's death.

When Song finally picked up her phone Tuesday evening, the alerts were countless.. Another child killed in a shooting, another mass shooting.

Song has advocated for safer gun laws for years, often standing side by side with parents, educators and community members from Sandy Hook.

On Wednesday she wiped tears from her eyes as she stood on the Capitol steps in Hartford yet again.

"They are now sitting, living the unimaginable, probably with cops asking a million questions," she said. "Then they are going to move into a meeting with a funeral director who is going to, very uncomfortably, ask them, 'Would you rather have your child cremated or buried?' and then ask them, 'Would you like me to cut a lock of your child's hair because that's all that I can give you?'

"And that's just the first two days. These are things that they're just at the very beginning of, walking an unimaginable journey."

Dr. Hank Schwartz, psychiatrist in chief emeritus at Institute of Living/Hartford HealthCare who was appointed to serve on the Sandy Hook Advisory Board, broke down in tears Wednesday talking about the pain that is being experienced again because of an event like this.

"Sometimes even the slightest reminders of horrible things that have happened can set us off again," he said. "Being re-traumatized means having to endure, to some level, to some degree, the anxiety, the pain, the fear and the suffering of the original event.

"If that's happening to somebody, if they're being re-triggered, they've got to talk about it. We have to recognize that we have to allow it. They can't be stifled; they should be shared."

Uvalde families are taking their first steps on a path that 26 families, and many more, in Connecticut have.

At yet another vigil in Newtown this week, Rev. Matthew Crebbin said that the town grieved because wounds which never quite healed were torn open once again.

"We grieve with families who weep, with loved ones who will not be consoled," Crebbin said. "And with grief still tearing at our hearts, we come on this day all too aware of everything that has been lost."

'When I Grow Up': Newtown teen pens poem for victims

By Mariam Azeez
Special to the Courant

Mariam Azeez was in first grade in 2012 when 20 first-graders and six educators were killed at Sandy Hook Elementary in the same town where she attended school.

During a candlelight vigil at Trinity Episcopal Church in Newtown Thursday night, she begged the country to take action, asking, "When will we let them grow up?"

After seeing a photo of Robb Elementary School students' backpacks lined up in a row in Uvalde, Texas — never to be picked up again by the 19 students who were killed in another mass shooting — the 15-year-old penned this poem:

When I Grow Up

When a stinger stings / Their last sting / You hear your phone ring
We are bees
Seeds of the earth / Perfection at birth / Pollinators / Immortal / Flying high
But / We are dying off
And we don't know why
All we do is study in a sanctuary / A home / And draw a little/ Maybe even sing / And take care of our hive
We have parents / And dreams / And hopes / We carry the burden of the world / Because we have time
We will relax later
But when is later / There is no more time / Scientists and politicians say they don't know why we are dying / When flying / We want to be alive!!
But we DO know why
And the thought of our stingers have always kept us safe / We must never
Use pepper spray / Always keep your phone on / Look both ways when you cross the street / Turn off the lights / This is the door we exit from / This is the room we hide in / This is the desk we barricade the door with / This is the window we wait for rescue from/ This is the hand you cover your mouth with/ This is the pencil you will use as a weapon/ This is the last text you send your mother: 'I love you mom.'
This is the guard bee who needs to protect the / Children At Play / Because who will
We do know why.
Inside this hive/ We let inside / A bee killer
He waited / For his resentment to turn into hatred / He is not a bee / He has no fuzz / No clear motive / He puts on a yellow jacket / He uses his stinger / His vile wish for a cleansing of the weak / He can use a stinger multiple times/ An apex predator / A monster / A human
When the stinger stings / Their last sting / The hive will ring your phone / To let you know they'll bring / A mini body bag to your door / They'll bring cookies / And thoughts and prayers
But since when did such meaningless words ever bring a mother comfort / Did you think your thoughts and prayers will bring that bee back?
"He was listening to rap music / He was playing video games / He was having a bad day." / All these things we will soon say / What about our promise? / To protect the earth? / To protect our kids? / But has anyone ever questioned his ability to sting? / Or the way he boasted about his weapon?
I don't know much / I'm just a little bee in a big world
But what I do know is we let him in
We saw him in all his sinful colors / I can't say I watched him grow / I can't say I knew his motive / But I can say while growing up I wanted to become a police officer because witnessing 20 students my age in my town come home in bags
At 6 years old I felt the burden of being the one who had to do something
At 4 years old I said "When I grow up I will become a unicorn"
At 6 years old I said "When I grow up I will become a police officer"
At 8 years old I said "When I grow up I will become a lawyer"
When I grow up I will become a doctor / When I grow up I will become a firefighter / When I grow up I will become a ninja / When I grow up I will become a teacher / When I grow up I will become a veterinarian / When I grow up I will become an actor / When I grow up I will become a detective / When I grow up I will become a baseball player / When I grow up I will become a lighthouse guard
When I grow up I will be a...
I don't know all too much about the world and its complexities / I don't know all too much about our functions in society
But I do know this / Every baby bee in this hive / Has said these words
When I Grow Up
When will we let them grow up.

Shooting

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officers' apparent willingness to follow his directives against established active-shooter protocols — prompted questions about whether more lives were lost because officers did not act faster to stop the gunman, and who should be held responsible.

"In these cases, I think the court of public opinion is far worse than any court of law or police department administrative trial," said Joe Giacalone, a retired New York police sergeant. "This has been handled so terribly on so many levels, there will be a sacrificial lamb here or there."

As the gunman fired at students, law enforcement officers from other agencies urged the school police chief to let them move in because children were in danger, two law enforcement officials said.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they had not been authorized to talk publicly about the investigation.

One of the officials said audio recordings from the scene capture officers from other agencies telling the school police chief that the shooter was still active and that the priority was to stop him. But it wasn't clear why the school chief ignored their warnings.

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, who at a news conference earlier in the week lauded the police for saving lives, said he had been misled about the initial response and promised there would be investigations into "exactly who knew what, when, who was in charge" and what they did.

"The bottom line would be: Why did they not choose the strategy that would have been best to get in there and to eliminate the killer and to rescue the children?" Abbott said.

Criminal charges are rarely pursued against law enforcement in school shootings. A notable exception was the former school resource officer accused of hiding during the 2018 shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, that left 17 people dead. New York City defense attorney Paul Martin and Chuck Wexler, executive director of the Police Executive Research Forum in Washington, both said Saturday that they did not know of any other officers criminally charged for failing to act in a mass shooting.

Martin, who has represented police officers charged with murder, assault and other crimes, said he thinks what happened in Uvalde differs from Parkland because the officers who waited to confront the assailant were following orders. Martin said he doesn't think they can be charged based on decisions from their command.

As for the school district police chief who decided to wait, Martin said it would be a "very high bar" to charge him criminally because police officers are given latitude to make tactical decisions.

"The families can sue the police department for failing to act. ... They can clearly be found civilly liable," he said. "I think it's very doubtful that they could be criminally charged."

In terms of civil liability, the legal doctrine called "qualified immunity," which shields police officers from lawsuits unless their actions violate clearly established laws, could also be at play in future litigation. Potential administrative punishments — meted out by the department itself — could range from a suspension or docked pay to forced resignation or retirement, or outright termination.

Maria Haberfeld, a professor at John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York, said the police department's policies, procedures and training will be scrutinized to see whether the officers on the ground in Uvalde followed them.

If they did, and criminal charges are still brought, she said it would send a chilling message to police nationwide. "If you follow your procedures, you're still brought up on charges. So what's the point of having procedures?" she said.

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WAR IN UKRAINE

Russia sees gains in Donbas assault

In call, Putin warns France, Germany on transfers of weapons

By Yuras Karmanau and Elena Becatoros
Associated Press



A building in Bakhmut, Ukraine, exhibits heavy damage Saturday from a Russian bombing campaign. FRANCISCO SECO/AP

KRAMATORSK, Ukraine — As Russia asserted progress in its goal of seizing all of contested eastern Ukraine, President Vladimir Putin tried Saturday to shake European resolve to punish his country with sanctions and to keep supplying weapons that have supported Ukraine's defense.

The Russian Defense Ministry said Lyman, the second small city to fall recently, had been "completely liberated" by Russian soldiers and Kremlin-backed separatists, who have waged war for eight years in the industrial Donbas region.

Ukraine's train system has ferried arms and evacuated citizens through Lyman, a key railway hub in the east. Control of it also would give Russia's military another foothold in the region; it has bridges for troops and equipment to cross the Siverskiy Donets river, which has so far impeded the Russian advance into the Donbas.

In a video address Saturday, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy described the situation in the east as "very complicated."

The Kremlin said Putin held an 80-minute phone call Saturday with the leaders of France and Germany in which he warned against the continued transfers of Western weapons to Ukraine and blamed the conflict's disruption to global food supplies on Western sanctions.

German Chancellor Olaf Scholz and French President Emmanuel Macron urged an immediate cease-fire and a withdrawal of Russian troops, according to the chancellor's spokesperson, and called on Putin to engage in direct negotiations with Zelenskyy.

A Kremlin readout of the call said Putin affirmed "the openness of the Russian side to the resumption of dialogue."

But Russia's recent progress in Donetsk and Luhansk, the two provinces that make up the Donbas, could further embolden Putin. Since failing to occupy Kyiv, Ukraine's capital, Russia has set out to seize the last parts of the region not controlled by the separatists.

"If Russia did succeed in taking over these areas, it would highly likely be seen by the Kremlin as a substantive political achievement and be portrayed to the Russian people as justifying the invasion," the British Ministry of Defense said in a Saturday assessment.

Russia has intensified efforts to capture the cities of Sievierodonetsk and nearby Lysychansk, the last major areas under Ukrainian control in Luhansk.

Luhansk Gov. Serhii Haidai reported that Ukrainian fighters repelled an assault on Sievierodonetsk but Russian troops still pushed to encircle them. Later Saturday he said Russian forces had seized a hotel on the city's outskirts.

Meanwhile, people who fled Lysychansk described intensified shelling, especially over the past week, that left them unable to leave basement bomb shelters.

Yanna Skakova left the city Friday with her 18-month-old and 4-year-old sons and cried as she sat in a train bound for western Ukraine. Her husband stayed behind to take care of their house and animals.

"It's too dangerous to stay there now," she said, wiping away tears.

Ukrainian authorities have reported that Kremlin-installed officials in seized cities have started airing Russian news broadcasts, introduced Russian area codes and taken other steps to annex the areas.

Russian-held areas of the southern Kherson region have shifted to Moscow time and "will no longer switch to daylight saving time, as is customary in Ukraine," Russia's state news agency RIA Novosti quoted Krill Stremousov, a Russian-installed local official, as saying Saturday.

The war has caused global food shortages because Ukraine is a major exporter of grain and other commodities. Moscow and Kyiv have traded accusations over which side bears responsibility for keeping shipments tied up, with Russia saying Ukrainian sea mines prevented safe passage and Ukraine citing a Russian naval blockade.

The press service of the Ukrainian Naval Forces said two Russian vessels "capable of carrying up to 16 missiles" were ready for action in the Black Sea, adding that only shipping routes established through multilateral treaties may be considered safe.

Ukrainian officials have pressed Western nations for more sophisticated and powerful weapons. The U.S. Defense Department would not confirm a Friday CNN report saying the Biden administration was preparing to send long-range rocket systems.

Russia's ambassador to the United States, Anatoliy Antonov, said Saturday that such a move would be "unacceptable."

Moscow is also trying to rattle Sweden and Finland's determination to join NATO. Russia's Defense Ministry said its navy successfully launched a new hypersonic missile from the Barents Sea that struck its target about 600 miles away.

In grief, Uvalde residents reassess gun control laws

Where firearms are ubiquitous, some see sense in change

By Jack Healy and Natalie Kitroeff
The New York Times



Victor Cabrales holds a portrait of his slain granddaughter on Friday in Uvalde, Texas. "We need a change," he says. "A real change. Not just words." MERIDITH KOHUT/THE NEW YORK TIMES

UVALDE, Texas — Living in a rural Texas town where rifles are a regular prize at school raffles, Desirae Garza never thought much about gun laws. That changed after her 10-year-old niece, Amerie Jo, was fatally shot inside Robb Elementary School.

"You can't purchase a beer, and yet you can buy an AR-15," Garza said of the 18-year-old gunman who authorities say legally bought two semi-automatic rifles and hundreds of rounds of ammunition days before killing 19 children and two teachers. "It's too easy."

But inside another Uvalde home, Amerie Jo's father, Alfred Garza, had a sharply different view. He said he was considering buying a holster to strap on the handgun he now leaves in his home or truck.

"Carrying it on my person is not a bad idea after all this," he said.

An anguished soul-searching over Texas' gun culture and permissive gun laws is unfolding across the latest community to be shattered by a shooter's rampage.

Uvalde, a largely Mexican American city of 15,200 near the southern border, is far different from Parkland, Florida, or Newtown, Connecticut, which became centers of grassroots gun control activism after school shootings there.

Gun ownership is threaded into life here in a county that has elected conservative Democrats and twice supported former President Donald Trump. Several relatives of victims count themselves among Texas' more than 1 million gun owners.

In Uvalde, the debate has unfolded not through protests and marches, as it did after Parkland, but in quieter discussions inside people's living rooms and at vigils, in some cases exposing rifts within grieving families. The grandfather of one boy killed Tuesday said he always keeps a gun under the seat of his truck to protect his family; the boy's grandmother now wants to limit gun access.

Gov. Greg Abbott and other Republicans have dismissed calls for tightening access to guns in the wake of the Uvalde shooting. They have instead called for improving school security and mental health counseling.

But public opinion surveys and interviews with victims' families and Uvalde residents suggest that many Texans are more open to gun control measures and would support expanding background checks and raising the age requirement to buy assault-style rifles to 21 from 18.

Trey Laborde, a local rancher, said he despises President Joe Biden, thinks the 2020 election was stolen and recoils at calls to take away people's guns. He believes "all these teachers should be armed."

But he also wants more limits on gun access.

"I don't think that anybody should be able to buy a gun unless they're 25," Laborde said. He was recently given an assault rifle as a gift by his father-in-law but said, "I don't think they should be sold." He added, "Nobody hunts with those types of rifles."

Public support for some gun control measures has held steady throughout recent years of opinion polls as Texas was rocked by deadly mass shootings at a Walmart in El Paso and in the streets of Odessa.

In a February poll by the University of Texas/Texas Politics Project, 43% of Texans said they supported stricter gun laws, while just 16% wanted looser rules. In earlier polls, majorities supported universal background checks and were against allowing gun owners to carry handguns in public without a license or training.

Vincent Salazar, 66, whose granddaughter Layla was killed in the Uvalde attack, said he had kept guns in his house for 30 years for protection. But as he grieved the girl who won three blue ribbons at Robb Elementary's field day, he said he wanted lawmakers to at least raise the age for selling long guns such as the black AR-15-style rifle used in his granddaughter's killing.

"This freedom to carry, what did it do?" Salazar asked. "It killed."

Kendall White, who guides groups on hunting trips, helped cook on Friday at a barbecue fundraiser for relatives of victims of the attack.

White said he would never give up the right to "legally go out and harvest an animal and bring it home to my kids."

White believes people are the problem. "Guns don't kill nobody, period," he said.

But the recent mass shootings have weighed on White, 45, and this one, in his hometown, left him gutted.

He said he wants some things to change. "He should never have been able to get that gun," White said, referring to the gunman. "We should raise the age limit. We should do stronger background checks." There is room, he said, "for some compromises" on gun laws.



Kamala Harris speaks during a memorial service for Ruth Whitfield on Saturday. PATRICK SEMANSKY/AP

VP Harris to Buffalo mourners: 'Stand up for what's right'

By Susan Haigh
Associated Press

Saturday marked the last funeral for victims of a racist attack on Black people at a Buffalo supermarket, with a service that became a call to action and an emotional plea to end the hate and violence that has wracked the nation.

The funeral for 86-year-old Ruth Whitfield — the oldest of the 10 Black people who were killed — included a speech by Vice President Kamala Harris, who attended the service at Mount Olive Baptist Church in Buffalo, New York.

Harris said this is a moment in time for "all good people" to stand up to the injustice that happened at the Tops Friendly Market on May 14, as well as the Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, and other mass shootings.

"We will not allow small people to create fear in our community," she said. "We will not be afraid to stand up for what's right, to speak truth even when it may be difficult to hear and speak."

Civil rights attorney Ben Crump, who delivered a fiery tribute to Whitfield, called for all "accomplices" who aided and abetted "this monster" who opened fire in the supermarket to be held accountable, from the gun manufacturers and distributors to the parents of the suspect.

Crump said those who "instructed and radicalized this young, insecure individual" should also be held to account for taking Whitfield from her family, the Buffalo community and the planet. He called her "one of the most angelic figures that we have ever known."

"It is a sin that this young depraved man, not a boy, went and killed Ruth Whitfield and the 'Buffalo 10,'" Crump said, referring to the victims.

Whitfield had been inside the supermarket after visiting her husband of 68 years in a nursing home when a gunman identified by police as 18-year-old Payton Gendron began the deadly onslaught.

Authorities said Gendron, who is white, targeted the store three hours from his home in Conklin, New York, because it is in a predominantly Black neighborhood.

In all, 13 people were shot in the attack that federal authorities are investigating as a hate crime. Three people survived.

Gendron is charged with first-degree murder and is being held without bail.

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Expert: School security strategies ineffective

Measures may offer only a 'false sense of security,' he says

By Dana Goldstein
The New York Times



A police officer places flowers Thursday at a memorial outside Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas.
WALLY SKALIJ/LOS ANGELES TIMES

Armed school police officers. Lockdown drills. High-tech apps for monitoring bullying and students' social media posts.

Like many school systems across the country, the school district in Uvalde, Texas, put in place many recommended safety practices meant, in part, to deter school shootings.

But they were of little use last Tuesday, when a gunman killed 19 children and two teachers at Robb Elementary School.

The district's detailed safety plan illustrates that despite the widespread "hardening" of schools over the past two decades, mass shootings continue with sickening frequency.

"These security measures are not effective," said Jagdish Khubchandani, a professor of public health at New Mexico State University who has studied school violence. "And they are not catching up to the ease of access with which people are acquiring guns in the pandemic. All records are being broken in gun sales."

In Uvalde, a district of 4,000 students, the school district police department included six officers, one of whom was involved in the police response. But there are questions about how the city and school police officers had handled the gunman.

Texas districts like Uvalde have invested heavily in school policing and other security measures in recent years. Texas responded to the 2018 mass shooting at Santa Fe High School with $100 million in school safety funding. In Uvalde, before the shooting, the city's SWAT team visited all district schools in "full tactical uniforms," according to the police department's Facebook page.

But there is little evidence nationally that the dollars poured into these kinds of prevention measures have decreased gun violence in schools, according to a 2019 study by Khubchandani.

Instead, he wrote, they may be proffering "a false sense of security."

Social-emotional strategies, including anti-bullying initiatives, also do not appear to forestall senseless tragedy. Uvalde had counselors and social workers available. Threat assessment teams at each of the district's schools were on the lookout for warning signs of suicide, according to the district's safety plan.

Combating bullying was a special focus. The district website displayed winners of a recent bullying prevention poster contest. "Kindness takes courage!" one child wrote.

The district used software called Social Sentinel, which monitors students' social media posts for threats, and an app called STOPit, which allows anonymous reports of bullying.

These, too, are common practices.

In the hours and days after the tragedy in Uvalde, many policymakers leaned on a familiar response: adding more policing. Officials in Georgia and Virginia deployed additional officers to schools as a precaution. And Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, suggested putting more armed police in schools.

At Uvalde, the actions of local law enforcement are under scrutiny. An onlooker said officers remained outside the building for some time while the gunman was inside and that parents urged police to storm the school sooner. The gunman gained access to a classroom and reportedly barricaded there for up to an hour. That classroom is where all the fatalities occurred, according to officials.

Mo Canady, executive director of the National Association of School Resource Officers, said his organization had trained several Uvalde school officers over the course of four years and that they were typically based at secondary schools. He warned against jumping to conclusions about officers' actions.

Storming a building too quickly could allow an active shooter to escape, he said. And while capturing or killing an active shooter is "Plan A," he said, containing them to a particular space can be an effective "Plan B" to lessen the carnage.

School policing exploded after the 1999 shooting at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, when Congress began providing federal dollars for campus officers. Nationally, 19% of elementary school students, 45% of middle schoolers and 67% of high school students attend a school with a campus police officer, according to a 2018 report from the Urban Institute.

But when the Congressional Research Service looked at the effectiveness of school policing after the 2012 mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, it concluded there was little evidence showing that the presence of officers affected crime rates.

Armed school officers have been present at some of the most infamous school massacres and were not able to stop those events. The officer on duty at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, in 2018 has been accused of hiding during the shooting that killed 17 people.

During the Columbine shooting, a school resource officer shot at one of the gunmen but missed.

School policing is also divisive, in part because students of color are disproportionately referred to law enforcement, even for routine misbehavior.

But Canady said school officers had prevented many instances of violence that do not gain broad attention. He pointed to a National Policing Institute database that showed 120 cases of averted school violence between 2018 and 2020.

Almost every school in the United States holds lockdown drills, and that was true in Uvalde. While some survivors of last year's shooting at Oxford High School in Michigan credited the trainings with helping them quickly escape the building, there is little evidence that the drills prevent violence — and lots of concern from parents, educators and mental health experts that they cause fear and anxiety for children.

There are some simple, inexpensive measures that are protective, according to those who have studied school shootings. One of them is keeping classroom doors locked, which was a district requirement in Uvalde.

But it was not clear whether that practice was followed at Robb Elementary on the day of the shooting, when individuals were reportedly streaming in and out of the building for an awards ceremony.

The school had "perimeter fencing" designed to restrict access to the campus, according to the district. The safety plan also described the use of the Raptor Visitor Management System, which scans visitor IDs and checks them against sex offender registries and lists of noncustodial parents.

At a news conference in Uvalde on Wednesday, Texas Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick praised the district's security measures but suggested an area of improvement could be limiting schools to a single entrance. After the shooting, New York City, the nation's largest school district, said it would consider locking school doors after students arrive for the day. Los Angeles said it would reduce points of entry into schools.

But Khubchandani questioned whether any of these measures would stop a committed killer with access to weapons.

"It's like medication for heart attacks while continuing to eat bad instead of eating healthy," he said. "You prevent this from happening or you don't."

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brutality toward Blacks. New activists were born, racial justice organizations received significant funding, discussions happened around the history and impact of race, white supremacy, white privilege and systemic racism, and police accountability policies were created locally and nationally.

Two years later, Connecticut politicians, activists, faith and community leaders reflected on the progress we have made as a state in the fight against racism.

"The murder of George Floyd enlightened all of us into thinking more heavily, more deeply, more sincerely about the ways we are interacting with race," says Mercy Quaye, founder and director of The Narrative Project. "Some of us continue that fight and some of us have gotten kind of stagnant. What I would ask people to do is consistently consider your position in society and how you can consistently support those who have been deemed by society as lower than your position."

"When you are thinking about where we are, where we're located, we have made a lot of progress," says Keren Prescott, community activist and founder of PowerUp CT. "The problem is, the systemic issues are so bad, that it's like spitting on a forest fire."

Bloomfield Mayor Danielle Wong is working on the city level to change that.

"We have rolled out an equity policy," Wong says at a commemoration event for Floyd's anniversary at Lions Tale Farm in Bloomfield on Wednesday night, "[which] means understanding who we are procuring from, what our social justice aspects are. What are the core values of people that we're allocating these resources to? What are the pay inequities in town? Are our taxes at level? From a database situation, how can we allocate resources more efficiently to make sure that the most vulnerable of our population get the resources that they need?"



Keren Prescott, founder of PowerUp CT, says that the progress that has been made against systemic racism is like "spitting on a forest fire." **COURANT FILE PHOTO**

Part of that included declaring racism a public health crisis in Bloomfield.

"That's where we make the change," Wong says. "We make the change on the ground by making policies that impact our equity and that give the resources that are needed to the most vulnerable and close that gap."

Bloomfield Town Councilman Kenneth McClary agrees.

"As a state, I think we are leading the way post-George Floyd [with] criminal justice and policing," says McClary. "Here on the local level ... we are doing some revolutionary [and] progressive things. Looking at our education system, making decisions based on data, looking at neighborhoods that have not had government investment and saying, 'In order to make these neighborhoods stronger, we have to invest in these communities, we have to be intentional by investing in these communities.' George Floyd's death allowed us to do that and have that political capital to be able to do so."

While working for change on a town level is good, Prescott says people need to focus on the systemic issues statewide.

"We are having a lot of towns having to focus on their issues instead of us all coming together to focus on Connecticut issues, not just a Suffield issue, not just a Manchester issue, not just a New Britain issue," she said.

Part of that is acknowledging that a large wealth gap still exists between communities of color and white communities in Connecticut.

"We still do not have equitable housing," says community activist and Pastor AJ Johnson of Urban Hope Refuge Church. "Poor neighborhoods like Hartford, Bridgeport, Waterbury, [and] in parts of New Haven, we still carry the brunt of multifamily housing units in affordable housing."

"The police, that is still something we have to keep our eye on. So have we moved? Yes and no, I think there were some good bills at the Capitol. In the past couple of years, the abolishment of welfare liens, the solitary confinement bill, the clean slate (bill). I think we have had some decent bills that somewhat speak to the equity that we need."

And racist incidents continue to happen throughout the state.

"It's frustrating knowing that we are two years post the murder of George Floyd [and] students in Suffield can record themselves on Snapchat saying 'white power' and 'kill the N-word.' They can have



State Sen. Gary Winfield says that telling the truth about race and the role of white supremacy in society is crucial in the fight against systemic racism. **MARK MIRKO/HARTFORD COURANT**

polls out trying to vote on which Black person to lynch, nooses being found hanging from trees in Enfield behind elementary schools. This is post-uprising after the murder of George Floyd. This is where we are," Prescott says.

"At what point do you stop teaching and you start holding folks accountable?"

On a national level, President Joe Biden signed an executive policing order on Wednesday that focuses on law enforcement agencies, requiring them to review and revise their policies on the use of force, along with creating a database to help track officer misconduct, and contain the access of surplus military equipment to local police.

However, local police departments can choose whether or not they will participate in the database, as they are not required to by law, according to the Associated Press.

"Do I think lawmaking alone changes the atmosphere and the culture of violence, state-sanctioned violence? The answer is no," says local community activist and Rev. John Selders Jr. "I think we need far more work in the community, speaking to and leveraging our relationships, just to ask the question, what kind of community do we want? From there, to say, these are the values that we hold important, and then to lean into that.

"I think about that in relation to our humanity. If in fact we lean into our humanity, then we will not need a law to tell us that that's the wrong thing. We will do the right thing because it is right as individuals and as a community and society."

State Sen. Marilyn Moore, who represents Bridgeport, Monroe, and Trumbull, just hopes that the racial reckoning will continue as a movement instead of a moment in time.

"It is not just about Black and brown lives but also how you treat them," she says. "Part of the problem is that many of the [local] police do not live in the community. ... They need to connect with the community, get to know people, and become a part of the community."

Many activists and people of color also fear the reckoning that happened after Floyd's death lulled many people into believing that progress has been fulfilled.

Since Floyd's death, there was a very quick jump to do something, which is reactionary, says Kamora Herrington, founder of Kamora's Cultural Center in Hartford.

"George Floyd's death was not in vain," Herrington says. "It was a wake-up call for many people. I'm scared that we are going to sleep in a way that makes us think that we have moved forward much more than we have."

What steps can Connecticut take to prevent that?

State Sen. Gary Winfield, who represents New Haven and West Haven, says it starts by telling the truth about race and the role of white supremacy in our society.

"At the end of the day, what I need is the same thing as everybody else. I just don't get to have it. I have to wait for however long it is that I'm supposed to wait. I have to settle for subpar. I have to get told about a history that is not real. White folks get told about a history that is not real, and then they have this confusion about, 'Why are you talking about this stuff that they don't know that happened and actually it makes them feel bad.'

"I live feeling bad," Winfield added.

In order for change to happen, people have to let go of old traditions and be willing to try different techniques, says community activist Rev. Cornell Lewis.

"You've got to change your battle plan," Lewis says. "Number one, you recognize the problem. You've got to do something about it.

"Number two, our democratic system gave birth to, and nurtures, endemic racism. It gave birth to this particular form of racism that you do not find anywhere else in the world. So why are we continuing to embrace this system? It's not serving us, especially not Black people. That's why I said why are you dependent on this? Why are you not depending on yourself?," he said.

Suzette Debeatham-Brown, the first Black mayor of Bloomfield, just hopes that this tragedy is a catalyst.

"We will never lose the stain of what happened to George Floyd. That stain will always be on my heart, but I take that with me. In every decision, in every interaction, I take that with me," she says.

"So this year, next year, and then the year after, as long as we keep on marching to the drum, as long as we keep on uniting with the beat, I think that we are becoming better people," she said.





WAR IN UKRAINE

Russian cost high in river blunder

Doomed crossing illustrates perils of poor tactical move

By Andrew E. Kramer
The New York Times



A Ukrainian soldier tries to salvage a machine gun from an abandoned Russian tank in the Seversky Donets River on Wednesday. A failed river crossing at the site earlier this month proved lethal for the Russian army. **IVOR PRICKETT/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

BELOKHOROVKE, Ukraine — On the riverbank, mayhem unfolded: blown-up tanks, the detritus of pontoon bridges, heaps of branches shorn off by explosions and the bodies of Russian soldiers.

In the forest, a short walk revealed bits of torn Russian military uniforms hanging from trees, an eerie reminder of the troops who died violently here.

The failed river crossing that took place at this spot over several days in early May was one of the most lethal engagements of the war for the Russian army. Its forces had sought to surround Ukrainian soldiers in the town of Sievierodonetsk — but instead became surrounded themselves, boxed in by the river and a Ukrainian front line. At least 400 Russian soldiers died.

As the war grinds across eastern Ukraine, the maneuvering of troops has in large part evolved into attempts at entrapment. But as the deadly encounter at the bridge illustrated, the tactic comes with grave risks.

After failing to capture major cities such as Ukraine's capital, Kyiv, or to cleave off the entire Black Sea coast, the Russian military attempted a major encirclement of Ukrainian troops in the east. That effort is looking difficult now that Ukraine has blocked one main route of advance, near the town of Izyum.

So the Russian forces' immediate goal has become a smaller encirclement of Sievierodonetsk, the easternmost city in the Donbas region still under Ukrainian control. Artillery bombardments by Russian troops approaching from three sides have ravaged the city, knocking out water and electricity and leaving people dead.

Encirclement is a harrowing prospect for soldiers.

"I try not to think about it," said Pvt. Ivan Sichkar, a Ukrainian soldier surveying the destruction of the encircled Russian force. "If I think of being surrounded, there's no time left to do anything else."

The Russians' refashioned goal has focused the battle on a slender, 75-mile front in the Donbas. It is seeking to advance from the north and the south to close the one remaining supply line for Ukraine into Sievierodonetsk.

Last Tuesday, the Russian army advanced from the south, forcing Ukrainian troops to retreat from the small town of Svitlodarsk, lest the Russians envelop the town and trap soldiers inside. And in its Wednesday evening briefing, the Ukrainian general staff described stepped-up attacks by Russian helicopters and jets to support ground troops in the east.

The encirclement strategy has yielded political gains for Russia over the course of its longer conflict in the region, in which Russian-backed separatists battled Ukrainian forces for eight years before the full-scale invasion this year. Two cease-fires, known as the Minsk agreements and seen as struck on terms advantageous to Russia, followed successful Russian encirclements of Ukrainian troops in the east in 2014 and 2015.

But in Belokhorovke, a tiny town on the banks of the Seversky Donets River, the tables were turned this month, at least temporarily slowing the Russian advance.

Ukrainian soldiers who fought in the battle took to calling the site "the ear" for a lobelike loop in the river where the fiercest fighting took place. The Ukrainian military escorted reporters for The New York Times to the site, which is on a front line formed in much of the Donbas region by the roiling, fast-flowing river, swollen by spring rain.

Sunlight filters through the foliage of a dense, quiet forest on the river's floodplain, which was the Ukrainians' kill zone. In places, the smell of decaying corpses is overwhelming.

"The Russian bodies start here," Sichkar said as he rounded a bend in a dirt road extending about a mile through the forest to the river's edge. Just in this one spot, 15 incinerated armored personnel carriers were scattered about.

"The Russians wanted some little victory," said Col. Dmytro Kashenko, the Ukrainian officer who commanded the counterattack on the pontoon bridge. "They tried in Kyiv, they tried in Kharkiv, and they lost. They were trying to win at least something."

The Seversky Donets River, which cuts a meandering path through eastern Ukraine, forms a barrier to Russia's advances. Suitable sites for pontoon crossings are few, Kashenko said.

He was ordered to one of the crossings May 8, after the Russians deployed pontoons and moved soldiers into the forest on the near bank. Ukrainian infantry advanced into the area the next day but were repulsed, suffering losses, he said.

They then set up a defensive line to box in the Russians as they crossed their pontoon bridge, and rained down artillery fire on the area. They also set about destroying the bridge by placing floating mines upstream, allowing the current to carry them to the Russians' pontoons, which proved effective. The Ukrainian forces blew up four bridges at the site.

The Russians hastily laid new pontoons and sent armored vehicles across, Kashenko said, but they were unable to break through the Ukrainian defensive line. Dozens of armored vehicles and infantry soldiers became trapped and were mauled by Ukrainian artillery. The Ukrainians also hit Russian troops involved in the bridge work on the far shore.

The bombardment included some of the first barrages from a newly arrived U.S. artillery gun, the M777, Kashenko said.

Kashenko said he had offered the enemy forces a chance to surrender, shouting into a loudspeaker, "'Russians, give up!'" But, he said, "I don't know if they heard us."

Some enemy soldiers escaped by swimming across the river, the Ukrainians said. The Ukrainians have yet to collect the remains of the Russians scattered around the forest.

Gen. Philip Breedlove, former supreme allied commander in Europe, drew a distinction between the Ukrainian tactics of seeking to target Russian armored vehicles and troops with artillery and the Russian bombardments of towns and cities.

"Ukraine is trying to do maneuver warfare to regain territory and cut off resupply routes," Breedlove said. "And Russia is doing more of a grinding, attrition-based warfare."

Of Russia's bungled pontoon crossing, he said, "the Russians did something poorly that is difficult even if you do it magnificently."

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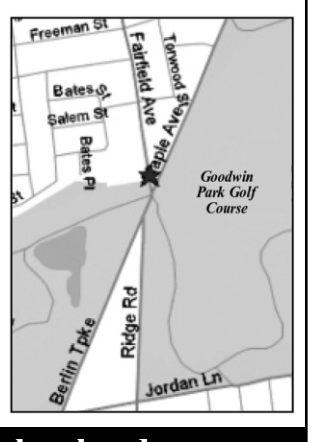
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In India, beloved mangoes become victims

Effects from climate change, pandemic ravage the vital fruit

By Suhasini Raj
The New York Times



Unripe mangoes that fell during a recent storm are gathered Monday in Malihabad, India. Blistering temperatures throughout the spring have devastated crops of the South Asian country's most beloved fruit. **SAUMYA KHANDELWAL/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

MALIHABAD, India — No fruit in India is as universally loved and as eagerly anticipated as the mango, which, for one brief window each year, cools and sweetens the long days of summer.

Mangoes are added to kebabs, used to sour dishes and pureed with mint to make refreshing drinks. Connoisseurs argue fervently about which of India's dozens of varieties — each with a distinct flavor, color and texture — are best and disagree politely about the correct way to eat the fruit: by cutting it into slices or by sucking the juice straight from the top.

But this year, as blistering heat has struck northern India weeks earlier than usual, mango crops have been devastated, threatening a way of life for the thousands of small farmers who grow the fruit and the millions more who consume it.

The heat wave is a vivid example of the challenge India faces in ensuring its food security as the effects of climate change worsen, compounding its difficulties in raising agricultural productivity to international standards to feed a growing population of nearly 1.4 billion.

The dangers of a hotter future are visible on a small farm in Malihabad, a prime northern mango-growing district, where Mohammed Aslam tends about 500 trees.

A few months ago, his mango trees were the picture of health, their deep green leaves glistening above the well-hydrated soil and their branches bearing perfect clusters of white flowers. Then India experienced its hottest March in 122 years of record-keeping, with temperatures averaging nearly 92 degrees and soaring as high as 104. The mango flowers withered and died before bearing fruit.

Virtually none of Aslam's trees produced mangoes. In a normal year, they would have yielded more than 25,000 pounds of fruit.

"I have never witnessed this phenomenon before in my lifetime," he said as he looked over his farm in the state of Uttar Pradesh one recent afternoon, lamenting the thousands of dollars he stood to lose on the failed harvest.

Aslam is one of hundreds of farmers who have watched helplessly as the intense heat of March continued into the hottest April in 50 years and then carried on into May. Climate scientists, in a report that was issued this week, said the chances of such a heat wave in India had increased by at least 30 times since the 19th century.

The heat has far exceeded the optimal temperature for fertilization of mango trees, which is around 77 degrees, said Dheeraj Kumar Tiwari, a scientist at an agricultural university in Uttar Pradesh.

India is the world's largest mango producer, accounting for nearly 50% of the global crop. Much of it is consumed domestically, but the country exports tens of millions of dollars' worth of mangoes each year to the United Arab Emirates, Britain, Germany and the United States. Over the past decade, India has been trying to penetrate markets in other European Union countries as well.

In the past, export growth has been limited by the higher costs of Indian mangoes compared with those from countries like Brazil, Peru, Israel and Pakistan. India has been striving to increase productivity, which would lower costs.

Even before the extreme heat, India's mango exports had been badly damaged by the supply chain disruptions of the pandemic, with shipments abroad shrinking by almost 50% last year. India's top export organization had hoped for a big turnaround this year as the Indian and U.S. governments eased trade rules.

Instead, severe weather has hurt yields not just in northern India but also in the south, which has been hit by heavy, untimely rain.

In Uttar Pradesh, the northern mango-growing powerhouse, a government agriculture official estimated that mango production in the state would fall by close to 20% this year. The Mango Growers Association said the yield in the northern mango-growing belt would fall by closer to 70%.

In the state of Andhra Pradesh, in the south, the heavy rains delayed the mango plants' flowering by a month. By the time the fruits emerged, it was too hot, and many dropped from the branches prematurely.

B. Sreenivasulu, deputy director in the horticulture department of the Chittoor district in Andhra Pradesh, said that during the heavy rainfall that lashed the area in November and December, when flowering occurs, farms were inundated, and many riverside trees were uprooted.

Cultivation of mangoes in the district, the most productive in the state, has been reduced by at least 30% this season. "This time, the climate change effect was so visible," Sreenivasulu said. "Like never before."

The harsher conditions threaten mango-growing cultures with roots stretching back hundreds of years.

The Malihabad district in Uttar Pradesh is known for delectable varieties like the Dasheri, which is named after a village in the area. The district is home to numerous families who have been growing the fruit for at least three generations. Most farmers in Malihabad own small plots of land and depend solely on mangoes for their livelihood.

Jyotsna Kaur Habibullah, who runs a farmers market, started a mango festival in 2013 in Malihabad to revive the tradition of eating mangoes straight from the orchard so that consumers could be directly in touch with the farmers.

"Food is intrinsically linked to a people's culture, and mangoes play a major role in not just the food of the region but art and textiles, in the form of motifs and poetry, too," Habibullah said. "The emotional and psychological connection of mangoes is not just with its taste but its linkage to the culture of the place and a legacy we cannot let die."

One recent afternoon, against the backdrop of the serene beauty of the mango orchards lining both sides of a smooth highway in Malihabad, farmers who had gathered at a roadside stand expressed anxiety about the future. They discussed diversifying into other fruits and vegetables or selling off their lands.

Nadeem Ahmad, a third-generation mango farmer, took a long breath as he walked onto his small farm next to the highway. He pointed toward trees that would normally be laden with fruit this time of year.

"With a heavy heart, I will have to start chopping these trees down if this pattern continues," he said. "The soul of a farmer shudders at seeing these fruitless trees."

Across from Ahmad's farm, Aslam said he was living in "acute tension" over a mango crop yield that was merely 5% of previous years'. His 14-year-old son said he did not want to carry on the family business when he grew up.

"There will not be enough fruit even for my children," Aslam said, his square forehead creasing under the strong afternoon sun. He noted that the hardships had forced him to postpone his daughter's wedding.

"No mango, no life," he added, his words tapering off in a small voice.



President Joe Biden addresses the University of Delaware Class of 2022 during its commencement ceremony Saturday in Newark, Delaware. **MANUEL BALCE CENETA/AP**

Biden urges Delaware grads to step up in 'decisive decade'

By Zeke Miller
Associated Press

NEWARK, Del. — President Joe Biden told graduates Saturday at his alma mater, the University of Delaware, that "now it's your hour," as he encouraged young people in the United States to help the country live up to its ideals.

Speaking to more than 6,000 graduates, and with the nation mourning victims of two mass shootings in as many weeks, Biden lamented the division and hatred in the country he governs. He bemoaned a "crisis of faith" in U.S. institutions and he pressed graduates to work to bind up the country's wounds.

"Your generation, more than anyone else will have to answer the question, Who are we? What do we stand for? What do we believe? Who will we be?" Biden said. "You can make the difference, you can lift the country up, you can meet the challenges of our time."

"There's one message I hope you take from me today: This is no time to be on the sidelines," he added. "We need all of you to get engaged in public life and the life of this nation."

Biden told graduates to remember that "democracy is a human enterprise."

"We do many things well," the president said. "Sometimes we fall short. That's true in our own lives. It's true in the life of the nation. And yet democracy makes progress possible. And progress comes when we begin to see each other again not as enemies but as neighbors."

Biden spoke of the country's bitter division over Vietnam in the 1960s and the grief that followed the killings of "heroes" — two Kennedys and Martin Luther King Jr. But through those tumultuous times came progress on civil rights and voting rights, for example, the president said.

"Well, now it's your hour. The challenges are immense, foreign and domestic, but so are the possibilities. ... Everything is possible in America," he said. "This is a decisive decade for America at a time when we can choose the future we want, at a time when we must decide that darkness will not prevail over light."

Biden also referred to the recent mass shootings: 19 children and two teachers were killed at an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas, on Tuesday, and on May 14, a gunman espousing racist hatred killed 10 Black people at a supermarket in Buffalo, New York.

"Too much violence. Too much fear. Too much grief," Biden said in his graduation speech. "Let's be clear: Evil came to that elementary school classroom in Texas, to that grocery store in New York, to far too many places where innocents have died."

The president said that "we cannot outlaw tragedy, I know, but we can make America safer." He called on "all Americans at this hour to join hands and make your voices heard, to work together to make this nation what it can and should be."

Biden graduated from the university in 1965 with a double major in history and political science. It was his fifth commencement address at the university, where the school of public policy and administration bears his name.



WORLD & NATION

NEWS BRIEFING

Flight cancellations plague Memorial Day weekend travelers

From news services

NEW YORK — Airline travelers are not only facing sticker shock this Memorial Day weekend, the kickoff to the summer travel season. They're also dealing with a pileup of flight cancellations.

More than 1,400 flights were canceled as of 5:15 p.m EDT Saturday, according to flight tracking website FlightAware. That followed more than 2,300 cancellations on Friday.

Delta Air Lines has the most cancellations among U.S. airlines, with more than 240 flights, or 9% of its operations, eliminated on Saturday.

Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport in Atlanta, where Delta is based and has its largest hub, was heavily affected by the travel delays. On Saturday, 5% of the flights there were canceled, while 11% were delayed.

Delta reported that Saturday's cancellations were due to bad weather and "air traffic control actions," noting that it is trying to cancel flights at least 24 hours in advance this Memorial Day weekend.

Delta announced on its website on Thursday that from July 1 to Aug. 7, it would reduce service by about 100 daily departures, primarily in parts of the U.S. and Latin America that Delta frequently serves.

"More than any time in our history, the various factors currently impacting our operation — weather and air traffic control, vendor staffing, increased COVID case rates contributing to higher-than-planned unscheduled absences in some work groups — are resulting in an operation that isn't consistently up to the standards Delta has set for the industry in recent years," Allison Ausband, Delta's chief customer experience officer, said in a post.

Airlines and tourist destinations are anticipating huge crowds this summer as travel restrictions ease and pandemic fatigue overcomes lingering fear of contracting COVID-19 during travel.

Many forecasters believe the number of travelers will match or surpass levels in pre-pandemic days.

However, airlines have thousands fewer employees than they did in 2019, and that has at times contributed to widespread flight cancellations.

People who are only now booking travel for the summer are experiencing the sticker shock.

Domestic airline fares for summer are averaging more than $400 for a round trip, 24% higher than this time in 2019, before the pandemic, and a robust 45% higher than a year ago, according to travel-data firm Hopper.

Proud Boys leader: The former top leader of the Proud Boys will remain jailed while awaiting trial on charges that he conspired with other members of the far-right extremist group to attack the U.S. Capitol and stop Congress from certifying Joe Biden's presidential victory, a federal judge has ruled.

Henry "Enrique" Tarrio poses a danger to the public that cannot be mitigated by home detention and banning him from using social media, U.S. District Judge Timothy Kelly said in an order issued late Friday.

Tarrio, a South Florida resident, has been jailed since his arrest on March 8, a day after his indictment on charges including conspiracy.

A federal magistrate in Miami previously ordered his pretrial detention.

Tarrio and other Proud Boys leaders used encrypted channels, social media and other electronic communications to plan and carry out a plot to storm the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, and interfere with the congressional certification of the Electoral College vote, according to the indictment.



Soldiers stand guard behind barriers Saturday in Colombo, Sri Lanka, as protesters gather to continue demanding the resignation of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa over the island country's economic crisis. Sri Lanka is nearly bankrupt, having defaulted on its foreign loans, and is battling severe shortages of essential goods. ISHARA S. KODIKARA/GETTY-AFP

Fire warnings issued: Warnings of critical fire conditions blanketed several states on Saturday, as crews in northern New Mexico worked to stop the growth of the nation's largest active wildfire.

The 7-week-old fire, the largest in state history, has burned 491 square miles of forest in rugged terrain east of Santa Fe since April.

The National Weather Service issued red flag warnings of critical fire conditions for parts of Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Utah.

Those conditions result from a combination of strong wind, low relative humidity and dry vegetation.

First tropical storm: Agatha, the first tropical storm of the 2022 hurricane season in the Pacific, formed Saturday off Mexico's southern coast.

The U.S. National Hurricane Center said Agatha continued to strengthen and is expected to become a hurricane by Sunday and head toward land.

On Saturday evening, the center of the tropical storm was located about 175 miles southwest of Puerto Angel, with winds of 60 mph.

The storm was moving north-northwest at 5 mph, but was expected to take a turn further northward.

A hurricane watch was issued for parts of the coast of the southern state of Oaxaca, where Agatha could make landfall by Monday.

Nigeria stampede: A stampede Saturday at a church charity event in southern Nigeria left 31 people dead and seven injured, police said.

One witness said the dead included a pregnant woman and many children.

The stampede at the event organized by the Kings Assembly Pentecostal church in Rivers state involved people who came to the church's annual "Shop for Free" charity program, according to Grace Iringe-Koko, a police spokeswoman.

Such events are common in Nigeria, Africa's largest economy, where more than 80 million people live in poverty, according to government statistics.

Saturday's charity program was supposed to begin at 9 a.m. but dozens arrived as early as 5 a.m. to secure their place in line, Iringe-Koko said. Somehow the locked gate was broken open, creating a stampede, she said.

Twenty-four people died at an overcrowded church gathering in the southeastern state of Anambra in 2013.

Iran building collapse: Iranian riot police fired tear gas and shot into the air to disperse an angry crowd of hundreds of people near the site of a building collapse in the southwestern city of Abadan, online video analyzed Saturday showed.

One report by Iran's semi-official Fars news agency also acknowledged the unrest late Friday over the disaster that killed at least 29 people, with more feared still buried under the rubble of the 10-story building.

This comes as Iran suffers worsening economic conditions under crushing U.S. sanctions over its nuclear program, fueling concern in the Islamic Republic of renewed, widespread unrest.

Videos shared online showed a crowd of hundreds near the building Friday night. A second video showed demonstrators chanting: "Our enemy is here; they lie that it is America!" A third showed an angry crowd with one shot heard.

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CVS Health Corp	CVS	79.34	111.25	**98.05**	**3.12**	3.3	▲	▼	-5.0	14.4		7.1	16	2.2
Carrier Global Corp	CARR	36.23	58.89	**40.23**	**2.27**	6.0	▲	▼	-25.8	-10.9		0.0	...	1.2
Charter Communic	CHTR	410.33	825.62	**509.94**	**30.91**	6.5	▲	▼	-21.8	-27.5		8.3	23	...
Cigna Corp	CI	191.74	271.71	**272.40**	**12.91**	5.0	▲	▲	18.6	5.3		11.2	17	1.6
CocaCola Co	KO	52.28	67.20	**64.68**	**3.70**	6.1	▲	▲	9.2	19.9		9.8	29	2.7
Comcast Corp A	CMCSA	39.47	61.80	**44.16**	**2.15**	5.1	▲	▼	-12.3	-20.6		3.4	15	2.4
Disney	DIS	99.47	187.58	**109.32**	**6.90**	6.7	▼	▼	-29.4	-40.2		0.4	>99	...
DuPont de Nemours	DD	62.10	86.28	**68.36**	**4.84**	7.6	▲	▼	-15.4	-17.9		-1.5	6	1.9
EMCOR Group Inc	EME	99.72	135.98	**107.70**	**5.18**	5.1	▲	▼	-15.5	-13.7		11.2	18	0.3
Energy Transfer L.P.	ET	7.96	12.48	**11.65**	**0.54**	4.9	▲	▲	41.6	21.8		-1.5	11	6.9
Ethan Allen	ETD	20.86	31.11	**23.59**	**1.81**	8.3	▼	▼	-10.3	-13.1		2.2	7	5.4
Eversource Energy	ES	78.44	94.63	**93.30**	**2.93**	3.2	▲	▲	2.6	16.2		10.8	26	2.7
Exxon Mobil Corp	XOM	52.10	97.43	**97.59**	**5.73**	6.2	▲	▲	59.5	69.9		6.9	18	3.6
Ford Motor	F	12.07	25.87	**13.63**	**1.13**	9.0	▼	▼	-34.4	-3.5		6.8	3	2.9
Freeport McMoRan	FCX	30.02	51.99	**39.65**	**3.34**	9.2	▼	▼	-5.0	-5.8		27.6	14	0.8
FuelCell Energy	FCEL	2.87	12.62	**4.22**	**0.52**	14.1	▲	▼	-18.8	-57.7		-19.2	...	...
Gen Dynamics	GD	182.66	254.99	**226.51**	**13.01**	6.1	▼	▼	8.7	19.6		3.7	20	2.1
Gen Electric	GE	71.14	116.17	**78.76**	**3.51**	4.7	▲	▼	-16.6	-27.9		-16.5	...	0.4
Hartford Fn Sv	HIG	59.86	78.17	**72.70**	**5.91**	8.8	▲	▲	5.3	11.1		9.3	11	2.1
Honeywell Intl	HON	174.42	236.86	**196.35**	**6.60**	3.5	▲	▲	-5.8	-12.2		10.5	25	2.0
Horizon Tech Fin	HRZN	11.57	19.08	**12.21**	**0.41**	3.5	▼	▼	-23.3	-17.6		10.5	10	9.8
Infosys Ltd	INFY	17.90	26.39	**19.00**	**0.30**	1.6	▼	▼	-24.9	-2.1		20.9	29	...
Inovio Pharmaceut	INO	1.60	10.33	**1.99**	**0.11**	5.9	▼	▼	-60.1	-76.3		-26.0	...	...
Intel Corp	INTC	40.31	58.42	**44.55**	**2.90**	7.0	▲	▼	-13.5	-21.1		6.6	9	3.3
Intelsat SA	I			**.38**	**0.00**	0.0	▬	▬	0.0	...		0.0	...	...
Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	155.72	186.69	**181.09**	**5.24**	3.0	▲	▲	5.9	8.7		9.4	27	2.4
Kaman	KAMN	32.31	57.36	**36.25**	**3.33**	10.1	▼	▼	-16.0	-30.1		-3.7	23	2.2
Lincoln Natl Corp	LNC	50.55	77.57	**58.32**	**5.64**	10.7	▼	▼	-14.6	-13.9		-0.1	9	3.1
MGM Resorts Intl	MGM	30.70	51.17	**34.89**	**0.52**	1.5	▼	▼	-22.3	-19.5		2.5	28	...
Meta Platforms Inc	FB	169.00	384.33	**195.13**	**1.59**	0.8	▼	▼	-42.0	-41.5		4.7	14	...
MetLife Inc	MET	55.21	73.18	**67.72**	**5.67**	9.1	▲	▼	8.4	7.1		10.8	9	3.0
Micron Tech	MU	65.67	98.45	**73.32**	**4.42**	6.4	▲	▼	-21.3	-13.8		19.0	14	0.5
Microsoft Corp	MSFT	243.00	349.67	**273.24**	**20.68**	8.2	▼	▼	-18.8	6.7		31.6	31	0.9
Novartis AG	NVS	79.09	95.17	**91.46**	**2.04**	2.3	▲	▲	4.6	6.1		8.5	9	3.3
Nvidia Corporation	NVDA	151.76	346.47	**188.11**	**21.17**	12.7	▲	▼	-36.0	13.8		38.3	49	...
Otis Worldwide Corp	OTIS	71.07	92.84	**76.30**	**2.86**	3.9	▲	▼	-12.4	-2.2		0.0	26	1.3
Pfizer Inc	PFE	38.48	61.71	**53.91**	**1.44**	2.7	▲	▲	-8.7	42.8		15.0	15	3.0
Pitney Bowes	PBI	4.28	9.92	**4.66**	**0.13**	2.9	▼	▼	-29.7	-42.3		-15.7	...	4.3
Prudential Fncl	PRU	94.51	124.22	**106.27**	**8.77**	9.0	▼	▼	-1.8	4.0		3.5	5	4.5
Pub Svc Ent Gp	PEG	58.96	75.61	**69.04**	**1.49**	2.2	▼	▲	3.5	12.4		11.8	24	3.1
Raytheon Technolog	RTX	79.00	106.02	**96.71**	**6.63**	7.4	▲	▼	12.4	12.2		7.0	44	2.1
Rogers Corp	ROG	176.00	274.51	**265.35**	**6.02**	2.3	▼	▼	-2.8	39.2		19.3	46	...
SS&C Technlogies	SSNC	58.31	84.85	**64.76**	**2.70**	4.4	▲	▼	-21.0	-12.5		12.2	42	1.0
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	SIRI	5.89	7.29	**6.38**	**0.22**	3.6	▲	▲	0.5	10.1		5.3	20	1.4
Snap Inc A	SNAP	12.55	83.34	**15.58**	**-7.68**	-33.0	▼	▼	-66.9	-75.6		-6.9	...	...
Stanley Black & Deck	SWK	112.38	219.59	**119.68**	**3.33**	2.9	▼	▼	-36.5	-42.5		-0.6	12	2.6
Taiwan Semicon	TSM	85.39	145.00	**93.77**	**2.99**	3.3	▲	▼	-22.1	-19.9		22.9	11	1.7
Terex Corp	TEX	30.67	54.25	**35.61**	**3.92**	12.4	▲	▼	-19.0	-29.9		2.3	11	1.5
Tesla Inc	TSLA	571.22	1243.49	**759.63**	**95.73**	14.4	▼	▼	-28.1	14.3		61.2	>99	...
Travelers Cos	TRV	144.44	187.98	**177.83**	**9.59**	5.7	▲	▲	13.7	13.5		9.1	12	2.1
Uber Technologies	UBER	21.28	52.36	**23.67**	**0.32**	1.4	▼	▼	-43.5	-54.8		0.0	...	...
Unitedhealth Group	UNH	383.12	553.29	**507.11**	**21.38**	4.4	▼	▲	1.0	23.0		24.2	31	1.1
Virtus Invest	VRTS	161.30	338.80	**193.96**	**10.41**	5.7	▲	▼	-34.7	-28.8		15.1	13	3.1
Voya Financial	VOYA	58.97	74.97	**69.14**	**6.38**	10.2	▲	▲	4.3	5.4		14.9	8	1.2
Webster Financial	WBS	44.55	65.00	**48.76**	**2.88**	6.3	▼	▼	-12.7	-12.0		2.1	11	3.3
White Mtns Insur	WTM	978.51	1248.99	**1251.33**	**68.56**	5.8	▲	▲	23.4	2.5		7.0	...	0.1
World Wrestling Ent	WWE	46.81	70.72	**67.14**	**6.23**	10.2	▲	▲	36.1	17.0		28.0	28	0.7
XPO Logistics Inc	XPO	46.41	90.78	**53.81**	**4.18**	8.4	▬	▼	-30.5	-37.4		11.2	21	...
Xerox Holdings Corp	XRX	16.07	25.59	**18.53**	**1.35**	7.9	▲	▼	-18.2	-19.5		-3.9	...	5.4
Yamana Gold Inc	AUY	3.70	6.40	**5.17**	**-0.04**	-0.8	▼	▲	22.5	3.6		14.8	34	2.3

Notes on data: Total returns, shown for periods 1-year or greater, include dividend income and change in market price. Three-year and five-year returns annualized. Three year return shown for stocks trading less than five years (indicated by "a"). Ellipses indicate data not available. Price-earnings ratio unavailable for closed-end funds and companies with net losses over prior four quarters. Rank classifies a stock's performance relative to all U.S.-listed shares, from top 20 percent (▮▯▯▯▯) to bottom 20 percent (▯▯▯▯▮).

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60 month new car loan	4.57	4.55	1 year CD	0.82	0.77
$30K Home equity loan	7.27	6.86	3 year CD	1.13	1.05
30 year fixed mortgage	5.24	5.39	5 year CD	1.23	1.14
15 year fixed mortgage	4.55	4.72	Savings interest	0.39	0.39

TREASURYS	FRIDAY YIELD	CHANGE 1WK	CHANGE 1MO	CHANGE 3MO	CHANGE 1YR	52-WEEK HIGH	52-WEEK LOW
3-month T-Bill	1.08	0.05	▲	▲	1.06	1.09	0.01
6-month T-Bill	1.52	0.03	▲	▲	1.48	1.56	0.02
52-week T-Bill	2.00	-0.07	▼	▲	1.96	2.16	0.04
2-year T-Note	2.47	-0.13	▼	▲	2.33	2.78	0.13
5-year T-Note	2.71	-0.09	▼	▲	1.90	3.06	0.65
7-year T-Note	2.76	-0.06	▼	▲	1.48	3.13	0.95
10-year T-Note	2.75	-0.02	▼	▲	1.15	3.12	1.17
30-year T-Bond	2.97	-0.02	▲	▲	0.68	3.22	1.67

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	COMPANY	TICKER	FRIDAY CLOSE	$CHG 1WK	PCT CHANGE 1WK	PCT CHANGE 1MO	PCT CHANGE 1YR
1.	Chevron Corp	CVX	178.28	10.46	6.2	13.8	74.2
2.	Merck & Co	MRK	93.08	-0.47	-0.5	4.9	30.5
3.	Unitedhealth Group	UNH	507.11	21.38	4.4	-0.3	22.0
4.	CocaCola Co	KO	64.68	3.70	6.1	0.1	20.0
5.	Travelers Cos	TRV	177.83	9.59	5.7	4.0	13.1
6.	Apple Inc	AAPL	149.64	12.05	8.8	-5.1	11.4
7.	Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	181.09	5.24	3.0	0.3	8.1
8.	Amgen	AMGN	255.26	7.76	3.1	9.5	7.6
9.	Procter & Gamble	PG	148.72	6.93	4.9	-7.4	7.4
10.	McDonalds Corp	MCD	251.87	17.96	7.7	1.1	7.4
11.	Microsoft Corp	MSFT	273.24	20.68	8.2	-1.5	5.3
12.	Amer Express	AXP	169.60	16.36	10.7	-2.9	2.7
13.	IBM	IBM	139.27	10.79	8.4	5.3	2.6
14.	Dow Inc	DOW	69.06	1.65	2.4	3.8	1.5
	Dow Jones industrial average		33212.96	+1951.06	+6.2	+0.7	-3.8
15.	Verizon Comm	VZ	51.40	1.87	3.8	11.0	-4.8
16.	Home Depot	HD	308.46	21.27	7.4	2.7	-5.2
17.	Caterpillar Inc	CAT	217.14	19.32	9.8	3.1	-9.9
18.	Visa Inc	V	212.88	13.85	7.0	-0.1	-10.4
19.	Goldman Sachs Grp	GS	328.58	21.78	7.1	7.6	-11.6
20.	WalMart Strs	WMT	128.48	9.28	7.8	-16.0	-11.8
21.	Honeywell Intl	HON	196.35	6.60	3.5	1.5	-13.3
22.	Cisco Syst	CSCO	45.62	2.68	6.2	-6.9	-14.7
23.	Walgreen Boots Alli	WBA	43.71	2.75	6.7	3.1	-18.1
24.	Nike Inc B	NKE	115.99	7.99	7.4	-7.0	-18.6
25.	JPMorgan Chase	JPM	131.27	13.93	11.9	10.0	-19.0
26.	Intel Corp	INTC	44.55	2.90	7.0	2.2	-23.3
27.	3M Company	MMM	149.51	5.68	3.9	3.7	-24.8
28.	Salesforce.com Inc	CRM	165.10	5.45	3.4	-6.2	-29.9
29.	Disney	DIS	109.32	6.90	6.7	-2.1	-41.4
30.	Boeing Co	BA	132.23	11.53	9.6	-11.2	-49.3

30 BIGGEST FUNDS

FUND	ASSETS (in billions)	TICKER	PCT RETURN 1WK	PCT RETURN 1MO	PCT RETURN 1YR	RANK 5YRS*
Vanguard 500 Index Admiral	$394	VFIAX	6.6	-0.4	0.4	13.5
Vanguard Total Stock Instl	294	VTSAX	6.6	-0.7	-3.2	12.8
Vanguard Total Intl Stock Idx	167	VGTSX	3.2	1.8	-12.0	4.5
Vanguard Instl Index Plus	153	VIIIX	6.6	-0.4	0.4	13.5
American Growth Fd of America	112	AGTHX	6.3	-2.4	-14.0	12.1
Vanguard Instutional Index	108	VINIX	6.6	-0.4	0.4	13.5
Fidelity Contrafund	98	FCNTX	5.7	-1.3	-10.3	13.3
American Balanced	96	ABALX	4.2	1.3	-1.2	8.3
Dodge & Cox Stock	90	DODGX	7.0	3.4	2.1	12.5
American Income Fd of America	80	AMECX	4.0	1.3	2.8	7.8
American Washington Mutual	72	AWSHX	5.8	1.2	5.3	12.4
American Investment Co. Amer	69	AIVSX	5.6	0.8	-1.5	10.5
American Capital Income Bldr	64	CAIBX	3.6	1.7	1.2	5.8
American Fundamental Investor	60	ANCFX	5.9	1.3	-4.0	10.6
American New Perspective	54	ANWPX	5.5	-0.8	-12.7	11.2
American CapWorld Growth/Inc	52	CWGIX	5.1	2.6	-8.4	7.7
PIMCO Total Return Instl	49	PTTRX	0.9	0.4	-8.1	1.6
Dodge & Cox International Stock	42	DODFX	4.7	5.8	-3.0	3.9
Vanguard Windsor II Admiral	42	VWNAX	6.1	1.6	-0.2	12.0
Fidelity Blue Chip Growth	39	FBGRX	6.8	-4.8	-17.8	16.8
Fidelity Growth Company	37	FDGRX	6.5	-4.6	-15.9	18.2
FrankTemp Income	34	FKINX	3.8	0.8	4.4	6.5
American AMCAP	34	AMCPX	6.1	-1.5	-13.4	10.0
Fidelity Balanced	33	FBALX	4.6	-0.4	-4.4	10.3
American SmallCap World	28	SMCWX	4.0	-1.5	-23.7	8.6
American Bond Fund of America	26	ABNDX	1.0	0.4	-7.0	1.9
Fidelity Low-Priced Stock	25	FLPSX	6.6	2.8	-0.2	10.8
Fidelity Puritan	25	FPURX	4.8	0.5	-3.3	10.2
Fidelity Magellan	24	FMAGX	7.0	-0.9	-4.8	12.9
American EuropePacific Growth	21	AEPGX	3.4	1.4	-20.4	4.8

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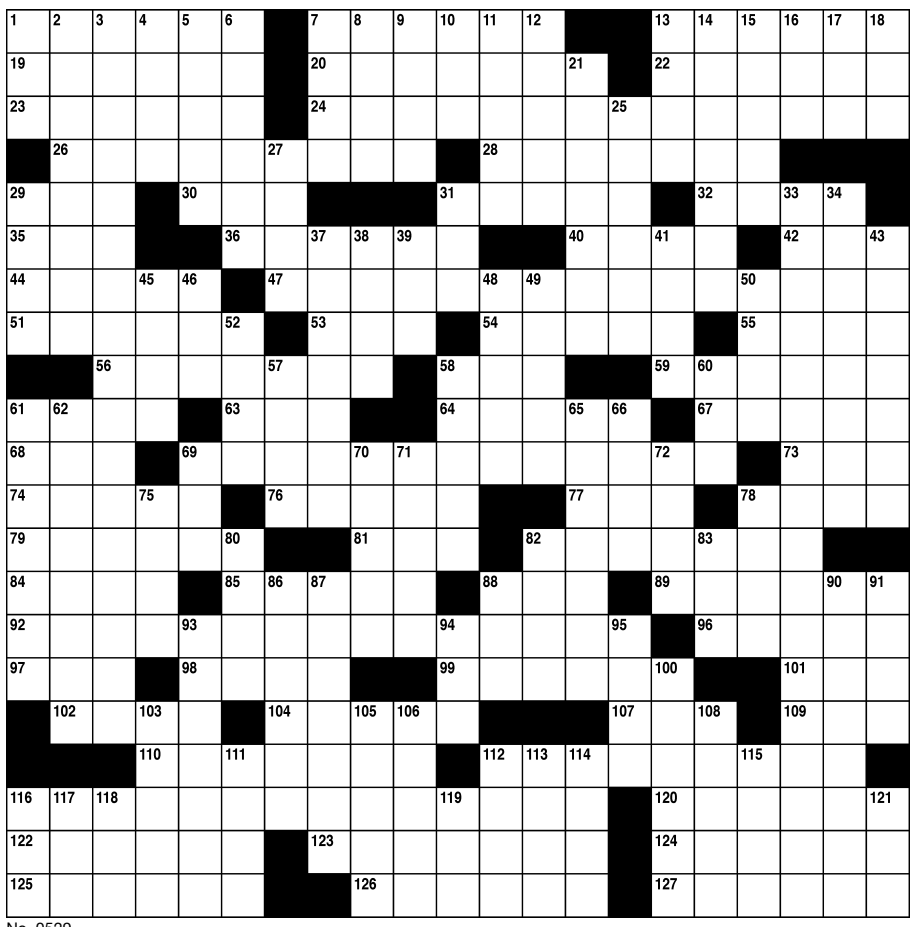
Matthew Stock, 24, who is originally from Dallas, now lives in St. Louis, where he teaches ninth-grade algebra through an AmeriCorps-affiliated tutoring program. He started constructing puzzles several years ago after he attended a crossword tournament in Boston and "had a great time chatting with puzzlemakers throughout the afternoon." This is his third crossword (and first Sunday) for The Times. — W.S.

ACROSS

1 Prayer, e.g.
7 Market index, for short
13 And so on and so forth
19 Actor Ray of "Field of Dreams"
20 Like a certain complex
22 Relative of the mambo
23 High winds
24 Space bars? [Frank Sinatra]
26 Healthful dessert options
28 Overhauled, in a way
29 "____ making a list ... "
30 Offering in china ... or from China
31 "Top Chef" chef ____ Hall
32 Geographical name that comes from the Sioux for "sleepy ones"
35 First prize at the Juegos Olímpicos
36 Sink holes
40 Biting
42 Bird whose males incubate the eggs
44 Mathematical proposition
47 Wet bars? [Gene Kelly]
51 Things many people lose as they grow older
53 Big Five studio of Hollywood's Golden Age
54 "Thus ... "
55 St. Louis symbol
56 Strongly endorse
58 Hot place to chill
59 ____ Adlon, Emmy winner for "King of the Hill"
61 Papal name last taken in 1939
63 Smallest state in India
64 Options for outdoor wedding receptions
67 Like some bread and cereal
68 Director Lee
69 Prison bars? [Elvis Presley]
73 Bamboozled
74 Weight right here!
76 ____ Austin, Biden defense secretary
77 Misidentify something, e.g.
78 For the lady
79 Center of a court
81 They're often parked in parks
82 Relevant
84 Excited cry after scratching a lottery ticket
85 Move a cursor (over)
88 Pride : lions :: ____ : dolphins
89 Hip
92 Cash bars? [Abba]
96 "Same here"
97 "I mean ... "
98 What goes right to the bottom?
99 Got around
101 "Hoo-boy!"
102 Gist
104 Last option in a list, maybe
107 "That feels goo-oo-ood!"
109 Practice
110 Brainy?
112 A+ earner
116 Singles bars? [Robyn]
120 First House speaker from California
122 Not going anywhere
123 Was snoopy
124 Made square
125 Japanese mat
126 "We got permission!"
127 Makes insulting jokes about

DOWN

1 Sitcom extraterrestrial
2 Did a little lifting
3 Candy bars? [Def Leppard]
4 "You, too?!"
5 Wiped out
6 Stood the test of time
7 Mapo ____ (spicy Sichuan dish)
8 A leg up
9 Häagen-Dazs competitor
10 Low-wattage
11 Where trills provide thrills
12 Something that's well-kept?
13 Comeback
14 It's turned, in a phrase
15 It's a relief!
16 Prefix with conscious
17 Poetic shortening
18 Food-pantry donation
21 Broad valley
25 Large expanses
27 2006 film with the tagline "Keep it wheel"
29 Hindu festival of colors
31 Most-watched TV show of 2002-05
33 Gold bars? [Queen]
34 "Do you understand me?"
37 Disappointing court result
38 Black
39 Habitat for Humanity is one, for short
41 Sister restaurant of Applebee's
43 Lets go of
45 Gaping holes
46 Weizenbock or Berliner Weisse
48 Scruffs
49 Ridiculous
50 Seventh avatar of Vishnu
52 It's a long story
57 Muddy
58 Beefcakes
60 Thumbs-up
61 Solving crosswords, e.g.
62 Insect named for the way it moves, not for its length
65 Got hot on Twitter, say
66 Kind
69 ____ Psaki, Biden press secretary
70 Gymnastics apparatus
71 Oral equivalent of a facepalm
72 Native American tribe of Montana
75 Single
78 Box score column
80 Noted 1815 comedy of manners
82 Actress Chaplin
83 Flag carrier to Karachi and Islamabad
86 Traditional Chinese drink
87 Anointment
88 Perspective, in brief
90 "No more for me, thank you"
91 Minute
93 Element 39
94 Big bleu expanse
95 Alumni grouping
100 Stylish
103 World capital that's home to Kotoka International Airport
105 World capital that's home to Noi Bai International Airport
106 Horror film locale, in brief
108 Egg: Sp.
111 2016 No. 1 album for Rihanna
112 Pop
113 Really thin type
114 ____ Domini
115 "I beg of you," e.g.
116 Bit of Morse code
117 Actress de Armas
118 D.C. pro
119 "Of course!"
121 They're checked at check-ins



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Housing goal sees pushback, innovation

Communities slow to respond as deadline to file plans looms

By Don Stacom
Hartford Courant

Facing a state-mandated deadline of Wednesday, Connecticut communities this spring have been wrapping up work on their official plans to provide more affordable housing — even though many caution that the state's goal isn't practical.

As of May 23 fewer than 50 of Connecticut's 169 municipalities had filed plans, according to the state Office of Policy and Management.

Although the state wants each community to have at least 10% of its housing qualify as affordable, the most common theme in the various housing plans is that conditions vary widely from one town to another.

Middletown, for instance, reported that 22.4% of its housing units already qualify as affordable, while Bristol is just under 15%. The numbers get far lower in rural and suburban towns and in affluent communities: Granby is under 4%, Southington is 5.3%, Westport is 3.7% and Fairfield is slightly below 2.5%.

In their plans some communities — notably smaller, rural towns — caution that encouraging or mandating affordable housing could create extraordinary costs in areas without sufficient water, sewer or other utility service. A few more built-out suburbs present a different argument, saying that very little space exists for large-scale new housing.

Others appear to be more receptive to changing how they handle residential development planning. Wealthy Westport, for instance, is proposing to create an affordable housing trust fund that would operate a bit like an open space preservation fund.

Westport's planning and zoning commission is recommending the town set aside money each year to use for loans, grants and predevelopment costs for creation of affordable housing. It could bolster the fund by setting aside a percentage of land use or building permit fees, the commission suggests in the draft plan it recommended this month.

"Alternatively, create a surcharge on all building and land-use permitting fees to be allocated to the trust fund," it suggested.

It also recommends the town immediately study whether five unused municipal properties could be made available for affordable housing and suggests studying whether the town could pay multifamily developers to deed restrict some units for affordable rents.

That strategy could "increase the supply of affordable units in Westport while maintaining the same density of development," according to the plan.

"This planning exercise required by the state statutes should not be viewed as an obligation, but as an opportunity to create pathways for a diversity of housing types to be developed that track with our modern values of creating equitable, diverse communities," commission Chair Danielle Dobin said in a statement.

Southington this week approved a plan that shares some of those elements. It proposed a housing trust fund to amass fees, grants and donations for affordable housing,

Turn to Housing, Page 3

COMMENTARY

Honoring our fallen heroes with a saxophone

By Peggy Schenk
For the Courant

This memorial day story takes place in October, not on a particular day for venerating fallen heroes. But then, when you've lost someone you love and they served in the military, every day is a memorial day.

This day, I was back home in Connecticut, there for my granddaughter's wedding. And since now that I live in far away Florida, whenever I get back home, I visit the boys, my husband, Richard (1941-2014), and our son, Sean (1970-2016). Both are at rest in the Connecticut State Veterans Cemetery in Middletown. On this visit, I brought Sean's saxophone, the one I now play. I wanted him to hear me play it, but I didn't know if I could for various reasons, having nerve enough being one of them.

When I got to the cemetery, there were no other visitors, so I was alone except for a work crew leveling and smoothing portions of the grounds for maintenance and expansion. What would they think of some lady playing the saxophone in a cemetery? Would they tell me saxophone playing is not allowed?

INSIDE

How much do you know about the Memorial Day holiday? Find out on **Page 2**.

As I opened the case and started to put the sax together, I could hear them thinking over the noise of the heavy machinery they operated.

"Leave her alone. She's crazy with grief, no doubt," they were saying to themselves.

"Grieving, true enough. A little crazy, for sure," I thought back.

Then I started having second thoughts. This really is crazy. Who would come to a cemetery and play the saxophone? Hey, I could be accused of disturbing the peace.

"What the heck," I said to Sean, as I sat on a bench near his grave, which is located not far from his father's. "I don't have any music with me, so I have to play by ear. Sorry in advance for the mistakes." And a bulldozer drove by.

Undaunted, I began to play the "Navy Hymn" all the way through, mistakes and all. Then, I thought, Sean, you served in the Coast Guard. I'll play "Semper Paratus," which I did, mistakes and all. "And you, Rich, you were in the Army," I said. By this time I was talking out loud, my voice muffled by the sounds of the work going on around us.

Did I say us? Indeed, I did, for now I could feel the presence of a spectral audience of military personnel who had come for the one-woman show. Wow! This is just like Bob Hope and the USO.

"So, Rich, this is for you," I said and played "The Army Goes Rolling Along."

I could see him rolling his eyes not knowing whether to be proud of or embarrassed by his wife. Guys around him were patting him on the back. Someone shouted out, "Hey, what about the Marines?"

"Oh, I know that one," I said. "We sometimes play "The Marine Hymn," during our warmups at New Horizons Band practice." That's where I began playing Sean's saxophone, in the band at the Community Music School in Essex. I played the tune for my Marine friend, not without flaws.

"And what about the Air Force," someone said. It was a woman's voice this time, an Air Force officer.

"You betcha," I said, and Off We Went with Sean's sax Into the Wild Blue Yonder.

Ghostly applause signaled the end of the show, and I again apologized to my captive audience for all the mistakes I made while performing their songs. I promised that when I got back to Florida I would practice to improve my skills playing military tunes by ear.

Turn to Schenk, Page 3



East Hartford Mayor Mike Walsh stands in front of the dilapidated and mostly abandoned Silver Lane Plaza strip mall Friday. The town is hoping to acquire the property and level the buildings to make way for future development. **STEPHEN DUNN/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

'SILVER LANE IS AT A CROSSROADS'

With $10M state grant, East Hartford looks to demolish decaying plaza

By Don Stacom | Hartford Courant

With more than 436 upscale apartments planned nearby, East Hartford plans to use part of a $10 million state grant to buy and demolish a decaying, long-blighted shopping plaza on Silver Lane.

Town officials argue that redeveloping the haggard and mostly empty plaza and its roughly 20 acres is a key component to reviving the entire Silver Lane corridor.

"East Hartford is at a crossroads, Silver Lane is at a crossroads — what do we want to be, how do we want to get there?," Mayor Mike Walsh told this town council this week. "The Silver Lane plaza is a linchpin of Silver Lane."

"The Silver Lane corridor is not so much overbuilt as it is under-demolished. That's kind of a statement of the functional obsolescence of some of the properties."

— Don Poland, of development consulting firm Goman+York

The state Bond Commission on Thursday took less than a minute to unanimously approve $10 million in aid to rejuvenate the Silver Lane and the streets that branch off from it.

"The Silver Lane corridor is not so much overbuilt as it is under-demolished," said Don Poland, a senior planner and managing director at Goman+York, a development consulting firm working with East Hartford.

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Turn to Plaza, Page 3



Suzie Flores delivers sugar kelp harvested on her ocean farm near Stonington to a Westport restaurant. **CAROL LEONETTI DANNHAUSER/CONN. HEALTH I-TEAM**

In the mood for seaweed? They've got you covered.

Farmers, scientists cultivating for the table — and environment

By Carol Leonetti Dannhauser
Conn. Health I-Team writer

On a gray morning in late April, Suzie Flores, 40, the owner of Stonington Kelp Co., hustled out of her hybrid Highlander in a Westport parking lot. She grabbed a couple of coolers of freshly harvested Connecticut sugar kelp from her SUV, then dashed to the rear entrance of a posh restaurant to deposit 60 pounds or so of seaweed.

Because the weather was breaking—for the better, for once—she hoped to hightail it back to Stonington to help her husband, Jay Douglas, work his barge on the Pawcatuck River before their weather window closed.

The climate, it's changing, and this has wreaked havoc on Connecticut's fledgling kelp harvest this year. Waters too warm delayed finding wild kelp seed in the ocean last fall. Winter storms disrupted kelp lines at farms along the Connecticut coast. Ferocious winds postponed harvesting trips this spring.

But the half dozen or so people cultivating kelp in Connecticut are a hearty lot, determined to grow the state's seaweed crop to a respectful place alongside farmed clams, mussels and oysters in Connecticut's $30 million aquaculture industry, according to the Connecticut Department of Agriculture reports.

Flores, her peers and a handful of researchers, entrepreneurs, academics, scientists and chefs believe Connecticut kelp can bolster the state's economy and might help heal the environment in the process.

In 2016, Flores and Douglas bought a small marina in Stonington and moved their young family into a fixer-upper across the street. The hyper-seasonal nature of marina

Turn to Kelp, Page 2

A QUIZ ON MEMORIAL DAY

How much do you know about the national holiday?

By J. Mark Powell
Insidesources.com

HARTFORD — It's the day each year when we pause to remember the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

But how much do you know about the Memorial Day holiday itself?

Find out with this short, easy and interesting quiz from InsideSources.com.

1. Memorial Day began as a way of honoring soldiers who died in what conflict?
A. The Revolutionary War
B. The War of 1812
C. The Civil War
D. World War I

2. The holiday was originally known by what name?
A. Remembrance Day
B. Decoration Day
C. Valor Day
D. Armistice Day

3. What flower is traditionally worn to honor fallen military personnel?
A. Rose
B. Peony
C. Daisy
D. Poppy

4. Which former military commander, and later an unsuccessful vice presidential candidate, is credited with helping make Memorial Day a holiday?
A. Henry Knox
B. John "Black Jack" Logan
C. John "Black Jack" Pershing
D. George S. Patton

5. Since 1971 Memorial Day has been observed on the last Monday in May. But from 1868 to 1970, it was observed on what date?
A. April 12
B. May 20
C. May 30
D. Nov. 11

6. What happens to the flag on Memorial Day?
A. It is not displayed.
B. It is flown at half-staff.
C. It is at half-staff until noon, then raised to full staff until sunset.
D. It is at full staff until noon, then lowered to half-staff until sunset.

7. Which of the following towns has been declared the birthplace of Memorial Day?
A. Columbus, Ga.
B. Waterloo, N.Y.
C. Columbus, Miss.
D. All of the above.

8. Based on the total number of American casualties, the costliest battle in U.S. military history was:
A. The Battle of Okinawa
B. The Battle of Gettysburg
C. The Battle of the Argonne Forest
D. The Battle of Antietam

9. Several Southern states hold state holidays on different dates in the spring to remember their dead. What is that holiday called?
A. Rebel Yell Day
B. Secession Day
C. Confederate Memorial Day
D. Stonewall Jackson Day

10. At 1,045 acres, what is the country's largest national cemetery?
A. Arlington National Cemetery
B. Calverton National Cemetery
C. Gettysburg National Cemetery
D. Andersonville National Cemetery

Find answers on **Page 3**.

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Volunteer carpenters build ramp at Vietnam vet's home

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

LISBON — Several carpenters kicked off the Memorial Day weekend giving their time to build an access ramp at the home of a Vietnam War veteran.

The project, part of a statewide effort, was organized by Connecticut House of Heroes, a 10-year-old nonprofit organization serving military and public safety veterans and their spouses who are disabled, living on a fixed income or facing other challenges.

Jim Brodowski and his wife, Judy, were seated in the living room of their Lisbon home, watching the TV news as workers from Carpenters Local 326 were outside, sawing and sizing wood planks that would form a 16-foot ramp connecting the front door to the driveway.

The couple has lived in their house for 30 years, sharing it with two orange look-alike cats.

While in Vietnam, Brodowski, who reached the rank of sergeant, had what he called the "most important job in Vietnam." He was a keypunch operator, the vintage job punching holes in stiff



Michael Robinson, a carpenter and U.S. Army veteran, helped build an access ramp Saturday at the Lisbon home of a Vietnam War veteran. **STEPHEN SINGER/HARTFORD COURANT**

pieces of paper that issued the commands for early computers. He established and maintained troop and supply records for soldiers and commanders to carry out their missions.

He served during the Tet Offensive of 1968, has post-traumatic stress disorder and neuropathy that hinders mobility and daily life. Brodowski 75, a former plow operator and truck driver for the state Department of Transportation, gets around with the help of a rollator walker.

"That's been my best friend for five years," he said.

David Jarvis, a carpenter and an officer of the Carpenters Union, said the project is not complicated.

"You need people to do it and then do it," he said.

Judy Brodowski said she found House of Heroes on the internet and reached out two years ago, asking for help for her husband.

"Nothing happened and I forgot about it," she said. "Then they called two months ago."

The access ramp is the latest improvement to the house that the Brodowskis call a work in progress. Built in 1747, it's the second or third oldest house in Lisbon, Brodowski said.

The projects this weekend by House of Heroes will help the largest number of veterans in one day. In addition to Brodowski, veterans in Clinton, North Haven, Old Saybrook and Woodbury benefited from work by dozens of volunteers and carpenters who offered their time at no cost.

"This is going to make my life a lot easier," Brodowski said.

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Kelp

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work — kayak rentals, a bait and tackle shop, moving boats to and from neighboring Watch Hill—left an open window in wintertime.

Flores did some investigating. About a decade ago, lobstermen and scallop farmers in Maine began growing kelp in the winter because the growing schedule complemented their summer work, and they already had the necessary gear to harvest. While Flores was intrigued, kelp's nutritional and environmental benefits sealed the deal, she said. Kelp is one of the most nutrient-dense foods on Earth, with an alphabet full of vitamins and minerals from A to zinc and more calcium per ounce than milk.

Like plants growing on land, kelp uses sunlight for photosynthesis, absorbing carbon in the process. Kelp also removes nitrogen and phosphorous from water, making it nature's water purifier. A study by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in February found that shellfish and seaweed farms remove about 575 pounds of nitrogen per acre. Kelp is a zero-input plant, which means it doesn't need land, fresh water or added fertilizer to grow. Sugar kelp's translucent amber ribbons provide a hideout for marine life, which generate all the fertilizer the kelp needs.

Flores connected with GreenWave, a Connecticut-based nonprofit committed to regenerative ocean farming, which helped her navigate the Connecticut Bureau of Aquaculture's 18-month permit process. Farmers here say that timeline is speedy compared to other states, where permitting can drag on for years. GreenWave helped Flores set up her farm, supplied her with seeds and connected her with buyers.

Each fall, Flores sets out with a contingent of scuba divers to forage wild kelp beds in the Atlantic Ocean for sorus tissue, or reproductive tissue, for seed. Last fall, divers couldn't find any sorus tissue in the usual spots. Due to climate change, warmer waters had chased wild kelp beds further east into the Atlantic. "We took the divers out as frequently as they needed to go. We were just trying to see if there were sources that we were missing," Flores said. Eventually, they located spores, but the delay affected the entire growing season.

Foraged spores are sent to a nursery of sorts in New Haven. There, at GreenWave's hatchery on the Quinnipiac River, spores are released into giant fish tanks, where they attach themselves to a special kind of kite string. After a month or so of growing in the nursery, seeds emerge—tiny kelp blades about a millimeter long. The fuzzy-looking seed strings are spooled around PVC pipes, then transported in coolers to farms throughout southern New England. At sea, farmers unfurl the kite string onto ropes suspended several feet deep between two moorings. The kelp grows downward and can reach more than 10 feet before being harvested.

Setting these lines, or outplanting, usually happens around Thanksgiving. But last year's delays meant that Flores and Douglas spent New Year's Eve bundled up on their boat in the Atlantic, setting the half-inch-thick roping.

"Every week that you have to wait to outplant your farm is a week's less growth," Flores said. "Shortening the amount of growth can mean the difference of a couple of thousand pounds."

Last year, Flores harvested more than 13,000 pounds of Connecticut sugar kelp.



Jill Pegnataro, aquaculture farm manager at GreenWave, lifts a line of sugar kelp growing in Branford harbor. **CAROL LEONETTI DANNHAUSER/CONN. HEALTH I-TEAM**

Environmental benefits

Each pound removes substances in the water that might otherwise feed dangerous microalgae, reports Charles Yarish, a University of Connecticut professor whose Stamford lab has one of the most significant collections of seaweeds in the world. Yarish said pollution flows into Long Island Sound from sewage treatment plants, which carry waste and fertilizer run-off, and from the atmosphere. "Seaweed aquaculture gives coastal managers another tool in their toolbox to remove [potentially dangerous] nutrients in the coastal water. These farmers provide an ecosystem service to the public."

Yarish started studying seaweed aquaculture in the early 1980s when he realized during a sabbatical that the United States has an "exclusive economic zone," or ocean area over which a nation has jurisdiction, of more than 11 million square miles.

"An astonishing number," he said.

Why wasn't the United States using this coastal zone to grow seaweed, which could bolster food safety and security, and generate economic and environmental value? "I basically said we have such an opportunity in the oceans to do something for the greater good of people. But nobody was interested. They basically said, 'Let the Asians provide the product to the U.S.' "

He went to Asia to investigate. In China, he saw huge swaths of coast carpeted by fish and seaweed farms and nearby "huge areas of industrial development," releasing waste into the same watercourses that fed those farms. He believed the U.S. could do better. At UConn, he developed the Seaweed Marine Biotechnology Laboratory and, slowly, became one of the foremost seaweed cultivation experts in the world. He received funding from Connecticut Sea Grant, which continues to support kelp aquaculture research, and established research farms at the western end of Long Island Sound, in the East River in New York, and in Fairfield off Jennings beach.

Wooed with noodles

A start-up in Maine asked the professor to help it provide U.S.-harvested frozen kelp noodles to consumers. The partners wooed him with dinner—the kelp strands cut a little thicker than spaghetti, served with olive oil and butter and a heap of mussels, clams and North Atlantic shrimp. Yarish was hooked. He offered to help the company on one condition: all their resulting innovations be available to anyone who asked.

Yarish and the partners developed tools to make farming and processing less labor-intensive and published an ocean-approved kelp manual that started with how to collect sorus tissue and grow it in a nursery and ended with recipes for the food on the plate. Connecticut Sea Grant funded a similar, more scientific manual for scientists. UConn libraries hosted the work, and Google Scholar picked it up. More than 10,000 people downloaded Yarish's how-to kelp manual.

If only he could cultivate more farmers to grow the product.

Yarish's graduate students suggested that he spread the word through YouTube videos, which might appeal more than a manual to folks working in fishing communities. Yarish proved to be the ideal emissary with his bushy mustache and zeal for dangling fistfuls of drippy springy kelp in front of the camera. His videos garnered tens of thousands of views.

One of those evangelized was Bren Smith, a former Newfoundland fisherman who owns Thimble Island Oyster Farm in Branford Harbor. Smith had become wary of commercial fishing practices and was searching for more sustainable ways to make a living without destroying the very environment he relied on to ply his trade. In addition, hurricanes had walloped his shellfish business, which damaged his spirit as well as his bottom line. Seaweed seemed to be the right answer at the right time.

Yarish said he found in Smith "not only someone who listened, but someone who could communicate with people who worked on the water, and with other entrepreneurs."

Smith bought into Yarish's open-source philosophy, in which one kelp farmer helps another. The professor brought in ocean engineers, and Smith drew up plans for long lines, harvesting and more. Smith's kelp farm in the Thimble Islands would serve as a working laboratory, with planting and harvest documented, tested, sampled, and recorded, and results passed along to the Department of Aquaculture, which runs its own tests for heavy metals, and to Connecticut Sea Grant, which ensures seaweed safety.

Next, Smith started GreenWave to train other kelp farmers. "We thought this will be nice, helping out local folks," he said, "but 8,000 people signed up for the farmer training program." So GreenWave changed strategies, offering how-to videos to train whoever was interested. Last month, GreenWave launched the Regenerative Ocean Farming Hub, a "seed-to-sale" resource that provides free training, tools and community to more than 1,000 kelp farmers nationwide.

In Connecticut, 15 commercial kelp-fishing sites from Greenwich to Stonington have permits. But because of mounting challenges, only three commercial farmers, including Flores, harvested in 2022.

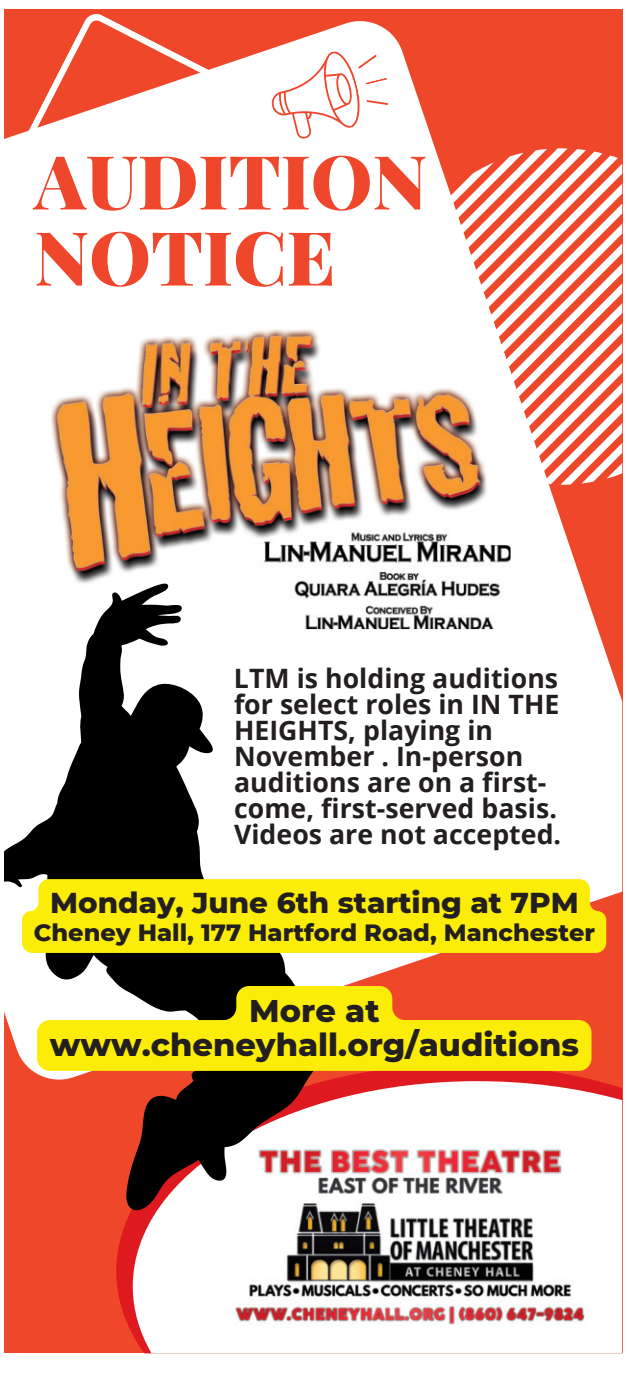
"It's all wind dependent. We'd get out to the farm, and there were 3-foot waves smashing on the side of the boat. You can very easily get yourself wrapped up in a line or get your boat swamped. It was too dangerous, and sometimes we'd have to turn back," she said.

Yarish, Smith and Flores say the state's kelp business could grow with state-supported infrastructure: hatcheries for seed and processors to blanch and freeze or dry kelp. "It's a big challenge," Flores said. "Kelp is a temperature-controlled food. You can't just pull it out of the water and slop it on your deck. It's regulated, like shellfish."

They're hoping Connecticut Sea Grant, an early supporter of kelp cultivation research here, can help find a path forward. Last year, the group was awarded $766,650 in federal funds to help develop, plan and manage a viable seaweed cultivation industry. In addition, the group's aquaculture specialist, Anoushka Concepcion, who helped establish the National Seaweed Hub in 2019, was named last year to the United Nations' Safe Seaweed Coalition.

In the meantime, farmers like Flores will continue to supply fresh sugar kelp to chefs from Greenwich to Hartford to Stonington. By Smith's count, anywhere from 1.3 to 1.5 million pounds of kelp will be harvested and sold this year in New England. Depending on the weather, that is.

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Man who tried to open school door arrested

Staff report

A North Carolina man who 'who appeared disoriented' was charged with first-degree trespassing after he was found on the grounds of Davenport Elementary School in Stamford, police in that city said.

Stamford police went to the school just after 1 p.m. Friday after administrators at the school noticed an allegedly "suspicious male" on the school campus, "and immediately initiated a lockdown," police said in a statement by police Capt. Diedrich Hohn posted on Facebook.

Police said school administrators reported that they observed the 31-year-old man get off a CT Transit bus, and start walking towards the school, also noting that the buses use the school driveway to turn around.

Police said the man allegedly "attempted to open the front door, but was prevented because they were locked." The man "rang the buzzer, and spoke to the office staff, saying he had keys to drop off, and that he was looking for a job," but he was not let in nor did he gain access, Hohn said in the statement.

"A decision to lockdown was initiated and this started the Police response," the statement said.

Police said the man is from Charlotte, North Carolina, and has a pending case with the Connecticut State Police from an arrest May 25. "Due to his confused mental state," the man was taken to Stamford Hospital for evaluation, police said.

The investigation into why the man was on school grounds is ongoing, police said.

"In light of the recent tragedies in Texas and in Buffalo, we want to highlight this incident," police said in the statement. "The administrator and school staff of Davenport School did everything right to keep the staff and students safe from harm.

"We can never take safety for granted. Today, we want to highlight how, if you see something, say something, and how important it is to follow the schools safety and infrastructure security procedures, to ensure everyone's safety," the statement said.

Plaza

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properties," Poland told the council at a presentation Thursday night. "There needs to be a reduction in the total retail square footage in the corridor."

The current focus is on the stretch between Pratt & Whitney's complex and Forbes Lane, an area where once-successful stores, a supermarket, restaurants and a multiplex movie house all fell on bad times in recent decades.

Showcase Cinemas shut down more than 15 years ago, and was demolished in 2019. The J.M. Fields discount department store chain shut down in the late 1970s, wiping out what had been the anchor tenant in the Silver Lane Plaza.

And the Charter Oak Mall has struggled for years, ultimately losing its once-popular Stop & Shop supermarket at the end of last year.

This week, the Bond Commission approved $10 million to help acquire the Silver Lane Plaza as well as Applegate Lane, a roughly 52,000-square-foot former nursing home that sits empty just to the west of the plaza's three buildings.

"All projects will be redeveloped to attract new development, improve pedestrian movement,



East Hartford is hoping to acquire Silver Lane Plaza and raze the buildings to make way for development. **STEPHEN DUNN/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

and support existing projects," according to the state budget office's description of the grant.

Developer Avner Krohn's Jasko Development is partnering with Zelman Real Estate to redevelop the Showcase Cinemas site into more than 360 market-rate apartments. The town is also working with the owners of the Crossroads Plaza to find new retail tenants and most importantly another supermarket to take Stop & Shop's place.

But Walsh cautioned that the decaying plaza and its massive swath of cracked, crumbling parking spaces would be a significant drag on both of those efforts.

"The plaza has been this way for the better part of 30 years, with an accelerated deterioration over the last six," Walsh said. "To me these three properties have to be looked at holistically. You need to drive through and drive by the (Silver Lane) plaza before you see the amenity-rich apartments that are planned for the Jasko development."

The town has a roughly $4.6 million appraisal for the Silver Lane Plaza, which includes the main building as well as two smaller ones on each side of it. Walsh said he wants to reach a deal with the owner, East Hartford Venture LLC, by mid-summer.

Walsh said the town's plan is to raze the buildings and then seek buyers to redevelop it, possibly with a view toward an entertainment and dining complex. He said the town wouldn't want the site used exclusively for more housing, but might be receptive to proposals for mixed-use development.

Housing

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and specifically suggests fees on zoning permits as well as an annual budget contribution.

The town should consider amending its zoning to allow the housing authority denser, multistory senior citizens apartment complexes, and perhaps permitting buildings higher than four stories in the central business zone if they provide affordable housing.

Southington should also consider allowing two- to four-family homes on arterial or collector streets, and streetfront townhouses within walking distance of the town center and Plantsville Center, the plan advises.

Numerous communities' plans recommend encouraging more accessory dwelling units, or in-law apartments, in existing homes, and some suggest density bonuses for apartment developers who restrict a set percentage of units for affordable housing.

Housing advocates have called on towns to be specific and provide measurable strategies in their plans, and at least one draft plan brought intense criticism earlier this year.

The Regional Plan Association called the draft plan of the Western Connecticut Council of Governments too vague.

"The recommendations of the draft plan say very little with respect to tangible, actionable steps that must be taken to actually create more affordable homes in WestCOG towns. The plan's recommendations call for 'investigating,' 'evaluating' and 'considering,' in lieu of acting," the RPA wrote.

"More affordable homes in all communities ... is critical to the sustainability and prosperity of the WestCOG region."

—The Regional Plan Association, on the Western Connecticut Council of Governments' draft plan

The Western Connecticut Council of Governments, which represents Fairfield County and north of there, also suggested Connecticut permit towns to pay neighboring communities to provide affordable housing that could be credited toward their 10% goal.

The RPA called the idea "appalling."

"It is a policy that endorses, perpetuates, and exacerbates the glaring residential segregation in the WestCOG region," the RPA wrote. "More affordable homes in all communities that meet the needs of people of all incomes and ages is critical to the sustainability and prosperity of the WestCOG region."

Schenk

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And I promised to make a return appearance for another bigger and better USO-type show sometime. I could add "The Second Line," which is the jazzy anthem of funerals in New Orleans, or something by Glenn Miller and his military band, or how about "God Bless America?"

"When might that be," someone asked.

"Oh, sometime in the near future. The next time I get back home," I said.

That suited them just fine.

"We'll all be here," said a Spec 4 in the third row as he slowly faded away, "seeing how we are already home here in eternity."

Peggy Schenk is a former longtime Connecticut resident and journalist.

A QUIZ ON MEMORIAL DAY: ANSWERS

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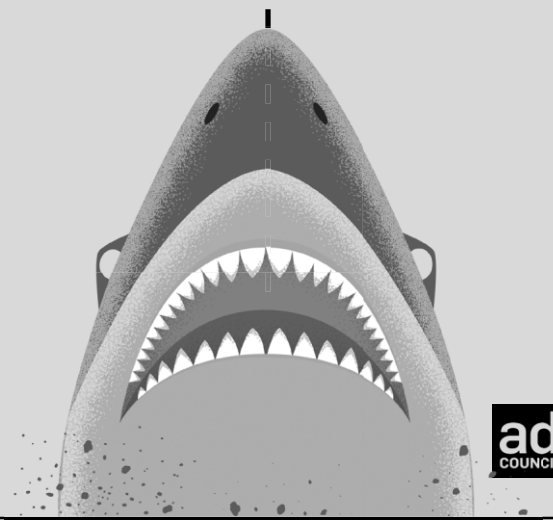


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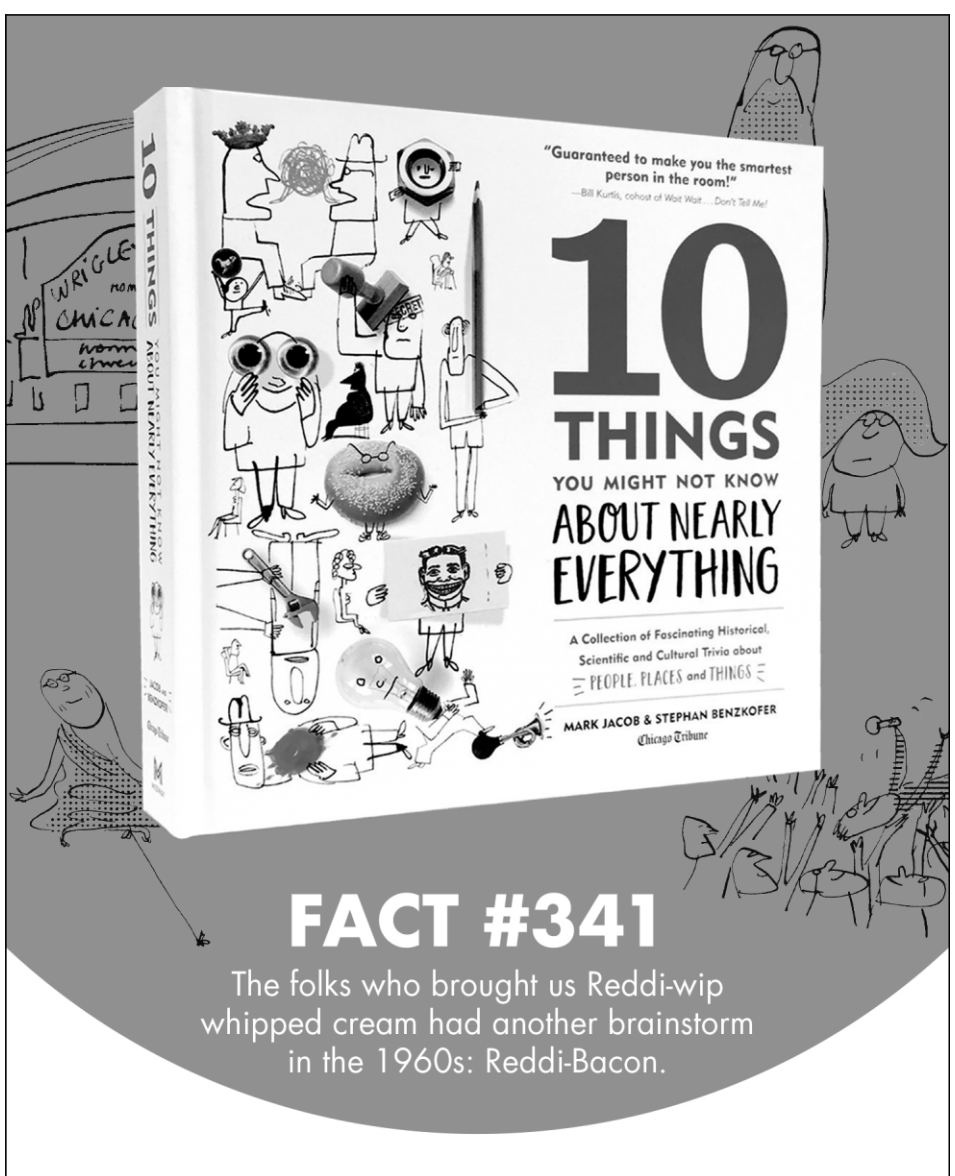
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FACT #341

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10 Things You Might Not Know About Nearly Everything contains a plethora of tidbits and trivia that will appeal to everyone, from history buffs to sports fans to foodies. From lighthearted topics such as misspellings and extreme eating, to serious subjects such as WWII and prison, this book leaves readers brighter and wittier than ever before.

FACT #84: A cardigan worn by a man is sometimes called a mandigan.

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Should you buy now, pay later?

When the Federal Reserve Bank of New York released its report on household debt, the numbers were eye-popping. Total household debt in the first quarter of the year increased by 1.7% to $15.84 trillion, putting balances "$1.7 trillion higher than at the end of 2019, before the COVID-19 pandemic."

The details showed that big jumps in mortgage and auto loans fueled the increase, as many rushed to lock in still-low interest rates before they began to rise.

Interestingly, credit card balances declined by $15 billion during Q1, but they are still $71 billion higher from a year ago. Economists posit that the reason for the drop is that many have plowed through their pandemic-era savings (the savings rate peaked at 33.8% in April 2020) and inflation is eating away at what remains. The government said that the personal savings rate was 6.2% in March, lower than the 8.3% in February 2020, before the pandemic hit.

Meanwhile, with inflation near 40-year highs and more Americans struggling to pay bills, another category of debt has nudged its way into the conversation: Buy Now Pay Later ("BNPL").

You have likely encountered messages from your favorite online or even brick-and-mortar retailer asking whether you want to finance your purchase with BNPL, an installment plan, where you can usually pay 25% of the purchase price now and then defer the rest of the cost into smaller, equal pieces in the future (usually a total of four payments), without requiring hard credit checks, which can hurt your credit score.

If all goes well and you make your payments on time, there is usually no interest charged, which is a compelling deal, especially in a rising interest rate environment.

That said, if you miss a payment, there could by late fees and interest, depending on the retailer and purchase amount, and some apps may have a small upfront charge each time you use a plan. That's why the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau warns that "BNPL could look like a standard payment method," which means that users "are really taking on a new form of debt." In other words, like a credit card, BNPL is a convenient way to make a purchase, if you have a plan to repay the amount that has been charged.

The upside of using a credit card is that you may be entitled to cash back or rewards; there is ample protection against fraud; help with merchant disputes; and the mature credit card industry has mastered reporting on-time payments to the credit bureaus, which can help improve your credit score. The downside of credit cards is well-reported — if you can't pay off the purchase in full, you will be whacked with sky-high interest charges.

Still, BNPL users seem to like the convenience, transparency, flexibility and predictability of the plans, which is why the industry is exploding. According to CB Insights, by 2025, the global BNPL industry is expected to grow 10 to 15 times its current volume to $1 trillion in gross merchandise volume, which is why many of the participants in the $8 trillion U.S. payment card industry are also developing their own versions of BNPL or partnering with companies already in the space.

The big BNPL players are Affirm, Afterpay, Klarna, PayPal and Zip (formerly Quadpay). Each has different rules about fees and interest rates, so you should carefully read the fine print to determine if you are ready to jump on the BNPL train. Like most borrowing decisions, much is predicated on where exactly you think you will be in your financial life when the train arrives at the station.

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Employees crave asynchronous work.

Here's how to do it right.

By Hovhannes Avoyan | Inc.

Location, location, location — that's what leaders are told the pandemic changed irrevocably about work culture. Work from anywhere! Work from home! Work from a tropical island (as long as it has reliable internet)! But what many missed was a far bigger and more important need for workers: Time flexibility matters more than location flexibility.

Particularly after two years of Zoom meetings and "you're on mute" exchanges, it's taken for granted that we'll have colleagues who won't be in the cube next door. What's just as important is enabling asynchronous work — the ability of employees to work when they'd like.

If you're like my company and you have staff spanning time zones, you need to make asynchronous work a priority.

And, like my workplace, you might find that doing so improves productivity, increases flexibility and adds to employee satisfaction.

Those aren't just anecdotes from Picsart, the company I lead. We surveyed 2,000 employed, nationally representative adults in the U.S. and asked them about their work preferences, entrepreneurial undertakings and creative pastimes.

An overwhelming majority — 84% of workers surveyed — said they are more likely to work for a company that can operate asynchronously.

Crucially, this preference spans generations, with 90% of millennials, 80% of Gen-Zers, 82% of Gen-Xers, and 79% of boomers all reporting they'd be more likely to work at an asynchronous company.

Here's why this matters: The market for talent has never been more competitive. Job openings are at an all-time high, and employees aren't choosing where to work based on compensation alone. They want to work for firms that embrace flexibility and nontraditional work hours — not as something they have to do in response to an international crisis, but as something they want to do because it's in everyone's best interest.

But how do you do this successfully? Here are five lessons from my experience that can help other organizations looking to build a successful asynchronous work culture.

1. Working on your own time doesn't mean working all the time.

People shouldn't feel pressure to keep up with colleagues in London and Los Angeles. Meaning, just because your company works at different times doesn't mean people should work all the time.

This is a genuine risk with asynchronous work. Thankfully, there are ways to manage it. A simple trick: Designate times when everyone is offline, regardless of time zone. At Picsart, every third Friday is a day off for all of our employees. This has helped to create a safety valve, and it has sent the signal that no one is expected to be able to respond to their global colleagues at all hours.

2. Prune meetings.

Meetings can be a productivity killer, and that goes double if you're an asynchronous work culture. The reason? A meeting that starts in the morning on the East Coast could be untenable for colleagues in the Middle East, and vice versa.

An asynchronous culture actually forces the hard question: Exactly why are there so many meetings on the calendar, and what purpose do they serve? Because time zones make calendar overlap more difficult, the quality of meetings can increase because they become more limited.

But that must be a deliberate process. You can eliminate meetings and even establish entirely meeting-free days. For my team, that's every Friday. For essential meetings, consider recording them and then sharing the recordings so people can catch up on the content on their own time.

3. Encourage individuals to enact boundaries.

Decisions about time are deeply personal, and companies can only do so much in setting cultural expectations and workplace guidelines. That's why it's important to encourage employees to create their own schedules and boundaries. Make it OK for people to block off time on their calendars.

Often, it's hardest for leaders and managers to do this. Those in leadership sometimes feel the need to do more or be more available. Dispense with that. Advise people at the top to set the tone by taking time for themselves and putting clear guardrails on their schedules. Once leaders do it, others will, too.

4. Use a culturally informed approach.

Time isn't just a quantity — it has a cultural quality. If you have a diverse team and employees in different countries, build a culture of respect for country-specific and religious holidays.

This sounds easy to do, but it's often the first thing that's overlooked when building an asynchronous organization. Calendar software sometimes has default holidays, all of which reflect U.S conventions. Communicate clearly about upcoming holidays, events and country-specific days off, and then build expectations that teams in those places or people who celebrate those occasions will be offline.

5. Establish a culture of personal accountability.

In some ways, the prerequisite for asynchronous work is a team that can get its work done, no matter where it is or when it works. That requires personal accountability — meaning keeping promises at the employee level about what work is ahead and when it will be done.

Make it a habit for employees to communicate their individual goals on a regular basis. That way, their success can be measured objectively and not be clouded by "the way things have been done." If a team member has clarity around their goals and their managers do, too, there's less stress about what hours are applied against those goals. In other words, trust people to work — but work to build trust across the organization.

When it comes down to it, the changes over the past several years — the freedom to work where and when team members would like — come down to trust. A team that is trusted to manage itself can adapt to other external shifts, whether worldwide pandemics, supply chain disruptions or a colleague who moves halfway around the world.

For some companies, that trust already exists. If you've established agreed-upon norms around productivity, accountability and respect for time, for instance, then an asynchronous work environment will feel like second nature. If you haven't, hopefully some of the steps above can help create a schedule that not only enables flexibility and aids in recruiting, but also improves the organization's output and efficacy — and builds trust at the same time.



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Social Security appeals



Elliot Raphaelson
The Savings Game

If you are dissatisfied with a decision the Social Security Administration (SSA) makes, you can request a new decision by different parties at the agency. As I have written before, because SSA regulations are so complex, it is not unusual for an agency representative to make a mistake.

Following are some examples of situations in which you can initiate an appeal:

- Entitlement or continuing benefits
- Disagreement with the amount of benefits you receive.
- Revision of your earnings record
- Disagreement regarding reduction or termination of benefits
- Disagreement regarding disability eligibility

If you wish to dispute a decision, your first step is to contact SSA at 1-800-SSA-1213 and request an explanation. If you are dissatisfied with the response, request an appeal, which is called "reconsideration."

Reconsideration is the first level of appeal, which involves only the initial determinations with which you are dissatisfied. If the issue is the waiver of an overpayment or the cessation of a disability claim, then the first level of appeal is a hearing, which will be subsequently discussed. If the issue is a medical denial of a disability claim, you may file an "iAppeal," an online alternative to reconsideration. See https://secure.ssa.gov/iApplsRe/start.

A reconsideration is a new decision made by a new SSA representative. You have the opportunity to review your file and present new evidence or indicate important factors of evidence already submitted.

Issues reviewed in the reconsideration process are not limited to the disagreement. For example, reconsideration might reveal another error to be corrected.

You must request the reconsideration in writing. Based on your request to SSA, you will be provided a one-page form in which to document the disagreement. The request must be signed and submitted to SSA within 60 days of the initial determination. A postmark before the deadline is acceptable. The time frame for SSA to review the decision can vary between one week to several months.

You will receive a written notice of the determination, which becomes final 60 days after the date of the notice, plus 5 days for mail time. If you are not satisfied with the determination, you or your appointed representative can request a hearing within 60 days of the date of the reconsideration decision.

A hearing is the second level of appeal. Securing a hearing also requires a one-page form in which to state your disagreement. The hearing is similar to a legal proceeding but less formal. The typical venue is a federal courthouse or by a video connection. The presiding judge is an administrative law judge (ALJ) assigned to the hearing. The ALJ works for SSA and makes decisions only on Social Security cases. You have the option to bring experts to support your case.

After the hearing, the ALJ will write a determination, which may or may not be partly or wholly favorable to you. In some cases, the judge may send the case back to a lower level if the judge thinks the earlier procedure was flawed. The hearing decision becomes final 60 days after you receive the written notice, unless you appeal to the Appeals Council. The time frame from request to decision can take several hundred days.

If you disagree with the hearing determination, you can request a review by the Appeal Council. There is a panel of three ALJs near Washington, D.C., who review hearing decisions. It is not necessary for you to attend this review. The only issue this review considers is whether the hearing followed proper procedures. If the Appeal Council finds that there was a procedural flaw, the case is sent back to the original hearing judge for review. However, even if there was a procedural flaw, the eventual decision could still be adverse to you.

If the Appeal Council upholds the hearing decision, it becomes the final decision of the SSA. At this point, the administrative appeals process is exhausted. The only option available to you then is suing in federal court. The time frame for the Appeal Council review can take months to years.

Although you could hire an attorney to represent you in the appeal process, it is not necessary. You can represent yourself or appoint a friend, family member or professional represent you.

Review the appeals process at www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10058.pdf.

Elliot Raphaelson welcomes your questions and comments at raphelliot@gmail.com.

How to identify best and worst entry-level jobs

By Stephanie Vozza
Fast Company



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It's college graduation season, and thousands of newly degreed students are looking for that first post-school job. According to WalletHub, the best entry-level jobs will offer them opportunity, growth potential and on-the-job safety. Based on this criteria, the financial website ranked the best and worst positions available to new grads.

The top five include software engineer, electronics engineer, engineer, systems engineer and industrial engineer. Clearly students who graduated with a degree in engineering seem to have the best outlook with lots of immediate opportunity and growth potential and few on-the-job hazards, according to the authors of the ranking.

"When I looked at the list, the best jobs that are in most demand — like working for Amazon or Google — and they're all fighting for people," says Stacie Haller, career expert at ResumeBuilder.com, an online resume creation platform. "What is common among them is that they could all be done remotely with flexible hours, and they typically pay great benefits."

The worst entry-level jobs, however, didn't offer these attributes. According to WalletHub's ranking, they are aircraft painter, building inspector, emergency dispatcher, floor assembler and boilermaker. Compared to the top jobs, the worst cannot be done from home. None offer flexible hours, nor are they likely to pay as well as the jobs that are higher up on the list.

"These worst jobs have to commute, so that's a cost," Haller says. "The salaries are even less if you subtract the commute."

Strong compensation, growth potential and safety sound desirable. But this criteria is also old-school, says Haller, who is a job search coach and career strategist.

"It's not necessarily the criteria of what graduates are looking for now," she says. "The driver for taking a job today can be a lot of different reasons. Maybe it is financial, but I'm seeing millennials who took jobs based on salary coming back to me and say, 'Okay, now I want to do something fulfilling. This isn't working for me.' "

Instead of strictly judging a job by its paycheck, potential and lack of job hazards, Haller says candidates should dig deeper to find the right fit. "A lot of times, you know what you like to do. You just don't know what the job is that lets you do it," she says.

The best job is one where you'll be successful in the role. What might be the best job for one person could be the worst for another. If you're not sure what your best job would be, Haller suggests finding a company that's supportive in helping you start your career, such as one that offers a strong mentoring program. Internships are also a great way to test out roles.



Terry Savage
The Savage Truth

VA loans remain a terrific bargain

Memorial Day is a reminder to honor the service of our veterans. It is also a good time to take another look at VA mortgage loans. Now that rates are rising, VA loans have become even more attractive. If you ever served in the military and are considering buying or refinancing a home, your eligibility never expires and you can apply for VA loans over and over again.

The current rate on a 30-year fixed-rate VA mortgage is slightly under 5%. That compares to a conventional mortgage currently costing about 5.37%. But there is zero down payment on the VA loan, while conventional loans require at least a 3% down payment — and PMI (a monthly insurance payment to protect the lender). VA loans do not require PMI.

So, using the example above, on a $450,000 home purchase, the no-down-payment VA loan monthly cost would be $2,415. That compares to a monthly payment of $2,710 (including PMI of $265 per month) on the conventional loan that requires a 3% down payment. That's nearly $300 per month savings on your payments. (Those figures don't include property taxes and homeowners' insurance.)

Not all lenders have expertise on VA loans, so it's worth searching for a knowledgeable lender or broker who can lower your payment by taking even a partial disability into account, or who may have offerings that lower your rate.

For example, Chase has a program of grants — of up to $5,000 — for those who purchase in certain lower-income or minority census districts. Guaranteed Rate does not charge the 1% origination fee or any lenders fees, thus lowering the overall cost, according to Leslie Struthers a vice president of mortgage lending at the company.

VA loans don't require a down payment because of the government guarantee. But you'll still have to pay for a VA appraisal, title insurance costs, attorney fees and processing fees or transfer taxes, as well as a small VA funding fee (unless you have a service-related disability). You can use the above-mentioned grant money to cover these fees.

Many lenders require a minimum 620 credit score, unless you are refinancing a current VA loan. Spouses' income may be used to qualify; they, too, must have a 620 score. (Widowed spouses of service members who have not remarried are also eligible for VA loans.)

Veterans must have conservative debt ratios and fully documented income.

The VA benefit limit is tied to a loan limit of $647,200, although jumbo VA loans are also available.

All properties with VA loans must be owner-occupied.

You can also use a VA loan to take cash out of your current home, which has likely appreciated in value. But beware giving up older, low fixed-rate loans to access your home equity.

The first step in getting a VA loan is filling out your certificate of eligibility (COE), using the application VA Form 26-1880. The COE requires your work history and proof of employment income. You can find the application forms and more details at www.VA.gov; search for "COE."

I've written about these loans in the past, with the help of VA loan specialist (and a former volunteer military chaplain) Daniel Chookaszian at Chase Bank. He's made it a mission to reach out to military families and inform them of how VA loans work. You can reach him at 847-648-7107. Or you can start by contacting the VA Loan Center at 877-827-3702, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST to find your nearest local office.

VA loans are not the only housing-related benefits available to veterans. In some states, disabled veterans pay reduced or even waived property taxes. Disabled veterans are eligible to apply for grants to pay for home renovations and repairs through the Specially Adapted Housing Grant program at the VA. Search for more benefits at www.va.gov/housing-assistance.

Our military vets have served to protect all of us. Let's make sure they know of their available benefits. This is the perfect time to remember. And that's The Savage Truth.

Terry Savage is a registered investment adviser and the author of four bestselling books. She responds to questions on her blog at TerrySavage.com.

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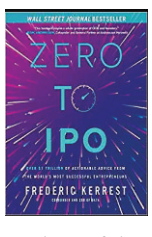
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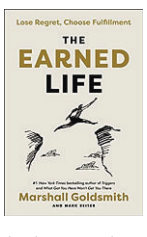
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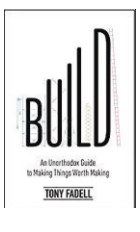
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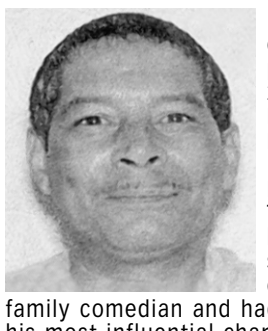
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Edgar E. Lent
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James C. Mourkas
Joanne L. Pinto
Janette B. Tilley
Burlington
David B. Gamber
Margaret T. Goehring
Canton
Joseph E. Coleman
Janet E. Foster
Carol A. Stevens
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Heather J. Uliasz
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Frederic Krahl
Hartford
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Raymond A. Cote
Benjamin N. Donatelli, Ii
Theodis Gilbert
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Mark S. Ritchie
Windsor Locks
Joseph E. Coleman

*** Denotes name listing only.**
Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

OBITUARIES

Jemison, Robert Lee "Tank"



Robert Lee "Tank" Jemison, 54, of Manchester passed away peacefully on Tuesday, May 24, 2022; at Uconn John Dempsey Hospital. He was born in Middletown, on March 20, 1968; a son of Henry and Patricia (Goodale) Jemison.
Tank will be remembered for his fun loving and giving personality, he always put everyone before himself. He was the family comedian and had a great sense of humor. But his most influential character trait was his handy man skills, he was dedicated to his trade. However, it was always said that when he would take things apart to put back together, they never went back the same way. A loving son, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. In addition to his parents, Robert is survived by his daughter, Jasmine Jemison; his grandson, Mathew Correa; his three siblings, Rebecca Jemison and her husband Charles Morton, Henry Jemison, Jr., and Shery Jemison; and a host of nieces and nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.
A visitation will be held on Friday, June 3, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. with a Celebration of Life to follow at 12 p.m. at The Lodge Community Chapel, 130 Deerfield Road, Windsor, CT. Burial will be held privately. For online expressions of sympathy please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Donatelli, II, Benjamin N.

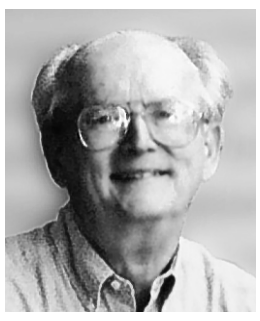


Benjamin N. Donatelli II, 76, of Tampa, FL, loving husband of Vivian for 53 years passed away peacefully on May 22, 2022. A successful Executive in Higher Education for more than 50 years; he was born in Hartford, Connecticut to Dominick and Rae Donatelli. He is a graduate of Wethersfield High School class of 1963 and received his baccalaureate from St Anselm's College and Master's in Business Administration from New Hampshire College.
Beside his wife, he is survived by his family; daughter Angela M. Donatelli; sons Benjamin N. Donatelli III and wife, Carrie, Anthony D. Donatelli and wife, Caitlin; grandsons Benjamin N. Donatelli IV and Theodore A. Donatelli; granddaughter Adriana Donatelli; and great-granddaughter Blakely J. Donatelli; his brother Robert L. Donatelli; sister-in-law Virginia M. Yorio; nephews Michael A. Donatelli, William Yorio, Michael Yorio; and nieces Tricia A. Donatelli and Genni Yorio. He is predeceased by sister-in-law, Ann Marie Donatelli; brother-in-law, Victor A. Yorio; and nephew Victor Yorio. Ben was deeply devoted to his family and enjoyed gatherings by the pool and in the kitchen. He enjoyed spending time on the golf course and traveling around the world. He will be deeply missed and his legacy will forever remain in the minds and hearts of those who knew and loved him.
Funeral service will be Thursday, June 2, at 10am with a mass of Christian Burial at St Mark's the Evangelist, 9724 Cross Creek Boulevard, Tampa, FL. Calling hours are 5-7pm, Wednesday, June 1, at Blount and Curry Funeral Home-Carrollwood, 3207 W Bearss Ave, Tampa, FL.
The family suggests that gifts in Ben's memory may be sent to Saint Anselm College, Scholarship Fund, 100 Saint Anselm Drive, Box 1738, Manchester NH 03102, or on line at www.anselm.edu/support, Designation: Anselmian Scholarship, in memory of Benjamin Donatelli.

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OBITUARIES

Hardy, III, Benjamin H.



Benjamin H. Hardy, III., 84, of Bloomfield, beloved husband of 26 years to Caroline (Tomlinson) Hardy died Thursday, May 19, 2022, at Seabury in Bloomfield after a long fight with Alzheimer's Disease. He was born in Richmond, VA on November 10, 1937; a son of the late Benjamin H. Hardy, Jr. and Anne Christine (Moore) Hardy.

He expanded his wealth of knowledge by graduating from several universities, includingthe University of Virginia (B.A. with honors, foreign affairs), the George Washington University (M.A., international relations), and the University of Chicago (Ph.D., political science).

Ben served briefly on active duty in the US Army reserve, earned a parachutist's badge, and was discharged in 1967 with the rank of first lieutenant in the intelligence corps. In 1961 he joined the US State Department as a Foreign Service Officer, with assignments in Germany, the Republic of Mali, and Washington, DC. After he left government to pursue doctoral studies, he held positions at the Adlai Stevenson Institute of International Affairs and the First National Bank of Chicago.

In Connecticut, he worked at United Technologies, served as a vice president of Equator Bank (later an HSBC subsidiary), and thereafter consulted with private and government clients on economic development policy, primarily in sub-Saharan Africa. He also translated and edited a study in economic ethnography, Les Alhazai de Maradi (Niger), by Emmanuel Gregoire (Paris: Editions de l'ORSTOM, 1986), as The Alhazai of Maradi: Traditional Hausa Merchants in a Changing Sahelian City (Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 1992).

Ben's focus on economic development drew on lifelong influences. His father, Benjamin H. Hardy, Jr., a Georgia newspaper reporter, editor, and publisher, served the U.S. State Department as a public affairs officer and speechwriter. In drafting sections of President Truman's 1949 inaugural address, he included his own idea for a global technical assistance program (Point 4 in the address) that became the Technical Cooperation Administration, a forerunner of the US Agency for International Development. He died at age 45 in a commercial air crash while traveling in Iran for the Point 4 program.

This inspiration fed Ben's urge to help the world's poor, and intensified a lifelong itch to travel (he aimed to visit one foreign country for every year of his life), two forces expressed in his commitment to Rotary International and his devotion to the Rotary Club of Rockville, Connecticut, of which he was a past president. During one of Ben's consulting assignments in the Republic of Chad, a client had urged him to join Rotary as a means to meet local business and professional leaders when traveling abroad. While this proved true, he particularly valued the friendship of Rockville Rotarians. Rotary also provided a broad avenue for service. Ben felt especially drawn to Rotary's efforts to eliminate polio worldwide. He considered his volunteer work in India to help immunize children against polio to be a high point of his Rotary experience.

He is survived by his beloved wife Caroline; as well as his sons, Benjamin IV, Brian and his wife Anne, William and his wife Elizabeth, and Richard Hardy; four treasured grandchildren, Helen, Joshua, Grace, and Isabelle; his sister, Maryjean Hardy Freas and her family in Seattle, WA, and four step-siblings. He was predeceased by his parents and step-father, Colonel William Little. Ben's family was a source of great pride and happiness to him.

A Memorial Service will be held at a future date. The family wishes to express their heartfelt thanks to the staff at Seabury for the compassionate care they provided to Ben during his illness. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Rotary International Foundation, 1 Rotary Center, 1560

Sherman Ave., Evanston, IL 60201; the Rotary Club of Rockville, P.O. Box 3155, Vernon, CT 06066; or The Seabury Charitable Foundation, 200 Seabury Dr., Bloomfield, CT 06002 will be appreciated. For online expressions of sympathy or for future service information please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Ritchie, Mark S.



Mark S. Ritchie, 59, of Windsor, beloved husband for 18 years of Heidi (Andrus) Ritchie, passed away peacefully on Monday, May 23, 2022.
Mark was born in Hartford, son of the late Lawrence and Amber (Atkins) Ritchie, and attended Windsor Locks High School. He spent his working career in transportation as a truck driver and was employed at Fleming Trucking in Suffield for over 20 years.
Mark was a loving husband, father, and dear friend. He will fondly be remembered as a man with a very easy-going nature who was friendly to everyone. He had a great sense of humor, loved to joke around, and was always there to support any friend in need.
Mark loved to spend time with his boys fishing and, when they were younger, they would take road trips together and go to swap meets. He especially loved to ride around on his Harley-Davidson Road King. He enjoyed all types of sports, and especially liked watching the Yankees, the Knicks, and the Cowboys. He also loved to watch professional wrestling.
In addition to his wife, Heidi, he is survived by his sons, Joseph L. Ritchie and Samuel A. Ritchie, all of Windsor, Peter Ritchie and his wife Carolyn of Enfield; and James Ritchie of Bloomfield; his step-sons, Cary Atkins of Stafford, Barry Atkins of Bolton, Jeremy Atkins, and Justin Atkins of Willington; his brother, Damien Ritchie and his partner Tracey Laurito; sister-in-law, Wendy Andrus; brothers-in-law, Holmes Andrus and his wife Lahna and Jim Andrus and his wife Jill; his very special Basset Hounds, Charlie and Fred; and many other relatives and friends.
Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his son, Matthew Durkee; and his sister, Terri Ritchie.
His family will receive friends on Wednesday, June 1, 10-11 a.m., with Celebration of Life, 11 a.m., at Carmon Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor.
Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Windsor.
To attend the service remotely or leave a condolence for his family, visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Ludwig, Heidi (Aberle)



Heidi Ludwig, age 70, of San Marcos CA, passed away at home peacefully with her family by her side on May 16, 2022. She died several months after receiving a diagnosis of terminal brain cancer. She was born in Rockville, CT on June 29th, 1951, where she grew up. On July 21, 1974, she married Gerald Ludwig and lived with him in Tolland, CT. She was one of five children born to Ernestine and Edwin Aberle. Her legacy is celebrated by her siblings Linette (Dennis) Murray, Ruth (Tony) Decarli, and Emily Champ, her husband Gerald Ludwig, children Damian Ludwig, Ruth (Justin) Hermida, Jonathan Ludwig, & grandchildren Naomi & Jacob Hermida. She is preceded in death by her parents and brother John Aberle. Heidi's faith in Christ played a central role in her life. She continually pursued a more deep and intimate relationship with Jesus. She expressed her love for God every day through her generosity and compassion for others. Her kind heart was apparent to everyone she met. Heidi was a lifelong and highly talented fine artist. She expressed herself in both traditional and unconventional styles and through a variety of media. Creating art was her passion, a true representation of her inner soul and reflective of her deeply rooted faith. She was deeply involved with her local arts communities as a teacher and mentor in Tolland, CT and Pompano Beach, FL. She enjoyed spending time in the quaint towns of New England browsing art studios, staying at B&Bs, walking the beaches, and plein air painting. Heidi's work is enjoyed by many around the country and abroad. She has won over 200 awards and has appeared in several publications, such as the Hartford Courant. Heidi loved to travel with her family. Throughout her life she enjoyed road trips up and down the East and West coasts and across the country. She also traveled to Europe several times to visit ancestral roots in Switzerland and Germany. Heidi loved living in Florida during the winter months and Connecticut during the summer. Later in life she moved to southern California to be close to her children and grandchildren. She spent her last years close to her family, a perfect ending to her time here on Earth. Heidi showed immense courage despite a difficult diagnosis and her trust in God gave her strength and hope. She graciously received the support and love of many, and frequently expressed her gratitude. Heidi touched many hearts throughout her life and was loved by everyone that she knew. She will be greatly missed. A time of visitation for family and friends will be at the Ladd-Turkington & Carmon Funeral Home, 551 Talcottville Road, in Vernon on Saturday, June 4, 2022, from 2-5 pm. A celebration of Heidi's life will be at the Storrs Community Church, 90 Tolland Turnpike, Coventry, CT, 06238 on Sunday. June 5, 2022. at 2 pm. Burial will follow in Ellington Center Cemetery, Ellington, CT. To leave an online condolence please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com

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Ceragioli, Peter Fred



Peter Fred Ceragioli, 90, of Meriden, formerly of Wallingford, husband of Hilda (Souza) Ceragioli, passed unexpectedly on May 25, 2022 at Middlesex Hospital, surrounded by his wife, daughter, grandsons and grandsons' girlfriends.
Peter was born in Meriden on September 26, 1931, a son of the late Bernard and Ruth (George) Ceragioli.
Peter was a jack of many trades, and he mastered them all. Starting early in grammar school, Peter took on a paper route for his first job. In high school, he worked as a baker for Just Rite Bakery in Wallingford. He also joined the Knights of Columbus of Wallingford. He got engaged to the love of his life, Hilda, in 1950, and then served a year in Germany as a Corporal in the US Army. When Peter returned to the States, he married Hilda on September 5, 1953. Peter then started the 4-year apprenticeship program at Pratt & Whitney, where he would spend most of his working years, becoming a foreman and a supervisor in the experimental sheet metal shop before retiring in 1991 after 40 years of service. He was most proud of the unique work he and his Pratt & Whitney team performed, which included experimental fuel cells, airplane engine pylons, and work for the Apollo rockets. But that wasn't enough - while working 2nd shift at Pratt & Whitney, Peter and his co-workers drove school buses during the day for Wallingford Public Schools. After retiring from Pratt & Whitney, Peter worked for a short stint with a local Pratt & Whitney sheet metal supplier. He then settled into his long-term (20 years) retirement job working for the Record Journal collecting payment for sold newspapers at local stores.
Outside of work, Peter was an all-around handyman to many family members and friends. After building his own home on New Rock Hill Road in Wallingford, and later becoming the unofficial maintenance manager when they moved to a condo in Meriden, it was no surprise that he was the default person everyone called when they had questions or needed help around their house, condo, or apartment. No job was too big or too small, and although he was happy to teach others, most of the time they'd want him to do it himself due to his precision and exacting standards. When he wasn't working or playing Mr. Fix-it, Peter loved to vacation. Two of his most notable trips were traveling abroad touring Europe, one trip by train and the other by riverboat. Closer to home, Peter always looked forward to his annual vacations to Hilton Head, SC, and Ogunquit, ME, where he and Hilda would spend weeks at a time, with many family members and friends joining them at various times during their stay. Peter was also an avid aspiring tennis pro, playing whenever he had the chance and teaching his daughter and grandsons to play too. Peter was a die-hard NY Giants fan and although they constantly left him disappointed, his other favorite team, the UCONN women's basketball team, usually made up for it. Peter could also be caught every Friday morning having breakfast with the local "Wallingford Boys."
He is survived by his wife, Hilda, his one and only cherished child, his daughter, Cheryl Cianfaglione of Old Saybrook; his brother, Louis Ceragioli; his sister, Teresa Cimino of Wallingford; his three treasured grandsons, Mike, Jay and Nick Cianfaglione, and his many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Bernard Ceragioli Jr. and his son-in-law, Richard Cianfaglione Jr.
Peter's family will receive relatives and friends at The Wallingford Funeral Home, 809 North Main Street Ext on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 from 9 am until 10:30 am when his funeral cortege will proceed to Most Holy Trinity Church where a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 am. (Masks must be worn at all services.) Interment in Ogunquit, Maine will be private. In lieu of flowers, gifts in Peter's memory can be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 - or - the Ogunquit Marginal Way Preservation Fund which can be found at www.marginalwayfund.org.

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Golding, Samuel Y

Samuel Yale Golding died peacefully May 15th at his winter home in Indian Wells, CA. He rests in Emanuel Synagogue cemetery in Wethersfield CT. His wife, Natalie Bassevitch predeceased him.
He served in WWII in the Army Air Corps and was president of The Standard Structural Steel Co.
He leaves a daughter Vivian Robinson and a son, Gary Steven Golding and his wife Cora. He also leaves 2 grandsons, Jared and Braden, his wife Allison and 2 great granddaughters Avery and Parker Robinson.

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Dube, James M.



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of James "Jim" Maurice Dube, 65, of Mount Holly, Vermont. He unexpectedly passed away on May 24, surrounded by loved ones.

Jim was born to Gilbert and Germaine Dube on May 19, 1957 in Grand Falls, New Brunswick, Canada. He moved with his family to New Britain, Connecticut as a child and graduated from E. C. Goodwin Technical High School.

Jim loved all things technical and enjoyed working with his hands. Over the next 40 years, Jim became a skilled carpenter and small business owner. Some of his proudest projects included the homes he raised his family in and retired to. Pieces of Jim's craftsmanship can be found in the homes of his family and friends, items that will be forever cherished.

An outdoorsman, Jim enjoyed skiing, snowmobiling, and riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle throughout New England. He eventually fell in love with the mountains of Mount Holly, Vermont, where he would later build his retirement home. Jim was also a long-time fan of the Giants. He watched games while sporting his Giants sweatshirt and enjoying a sausage grinder and Bud Light from his favorite restaurant, Hilltop Restaurant "Charlie's" of Terryville, Connecticut.

In his retirement, Jim retired to Mount Holly, Vermont with his wife, Rita, where he spent his time caring for their garden, building furniture in his workshop, and enjoying afternoon siestas on the patio.

Jim was blessed with a large and loving family, whom he cherished. He was a devoted son, brother, husband, father, uncle, grandfather, and friend to all. Jim was lovingly known as "pépé."

Jim was predeceased by his parents, Gilbert and Germaine Dube, and brother, Kenneth Dube. He is survived by his love, Rita Turnquist of Mount Holly, VT; brothers and sisters, Gaetane (husband Normand) Laforge of Richibucto Road, NB, Canada, Linda (husband Frank) Labieniec of Bristol, CT, Brenda (husband Bernie) Noonan of East Hampton, CT, Francine (husband Dave) Sgro of Plainville, CT and David (wife Tracy) Dube of Southington, CT, Paula (husband Michael) Toulman of Nauwigewauk, NB, Canada, and sister-in-law Judy Dube of Grand Falls, NB, Canada; children, Josh (wife Erin) Dziedzic of Southington, CT, Jeremy Dube of East Hartford, CT, Bruce (wife Annette) Turnquist of Southington, CT, April Sgroi (fiancé Robert) of Burlington, CT; and 9 grandchildren.

No funeral or memorial service is immediately planned. The family will notify loved ones and friends when services are scheduled. In lieu of flowers, Jim would want you to express your love to those you value.

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Bazinet, Arthur



Arthur Bazinet, 72, of Rocky Hill, beloved husband of the late Sheri (Rhodes) Bazinet passed away at Hartford Hospital, reuniting with his late wife Sheri, the love of his life. He was born on October 21, 1949, in Norwich; a son of the late Lucien and Helen (Martin) Bazinet. Following high school Arthur enlisted in the United States Army and was honorably discharged in 1970. He met the love of his life, Sheri at Ocean Beach in New London and were married on August 16, 1970. After they were united in marriage they were relocated to Germany for the remainder of his military career before returning to the states to settle and raise their family in Connecticut. After his time in the military, Arthur pursued his education at MCC and then obtained a bachelor's degree from UConn and a master's degree from The University of Hartford in accounting. He always believed in the importance of higher education.

Arthur began his career as an accountant and retired from MassMutual. He also owned his own tax prep business, Arthur J. Bazinet Tax and Business Services for over forty years. He was a member of the Tax Executive's and Tax Pro's and the Bearded Santa's of New England.

Arthur enjoyed outdoor sports, hiking, backpacking, scuba diving, and skiing. He also loved cooking, trips to the beach especially to Cape Cod to enjoy fresh lobsters. Arthur and his late wife Sheri enjoyed participating in local dinner theater over the years. Halloween was a favorite holiday for him, as you could often find him spending time carving elaborate pumpkin designs for his front porch display. Then in the month of December he transformed into Santa Claus. He attended numerous holiday parties, charity events and family gatherings in the role of Santa Claus, bringing smiles and joy to many. He will also be remembered for the amazing breakfasts for his children and their friends on weekends, after events like prom, and on campouts for all who were there. A specialty being his pancakes made with a special ingredient - Love.

His family was his priority; his grandchildren were the shining stars. Arthur loved every minute he spent with family and lived his life doing what he could to provide and give them the best. He lived his life with a positive attitude and lived by the motto "Have no fear, Go do it"!

Arthur was a loving husband, father, Pepe, brother, uncle, and friend. He is survived by his three children, Michelle Horgan and her husband Brian, Danielle Shweky and her husband Jeff, and Shawn Bazinet, three grandchildren, Mackenna Horgan, Jack and Evelyn Shweky. He is also survived by his sister Helen Lambert, his brother Lucien Bazinet and his wife Carol, his niece, Ida Parker and a host of other family and friends.

A Graveside Service will be held on Thursday, June 2, 2022, at 12:30 p.m. at the Cutler Family Cemetery, 155 Hurlbut St., West Hartford CT 06110. The family will observe Shiva at the Shweky home, 105 Watch Hill Road, Berlin, CT Thursday following the graveside and Friday (6/3) at 2:00 p.m. Carmon Funeral Home has care of the arrangements. Memorials are suggested to the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Online condolences can be given at www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Aphonse, Antoinette



It is with deepest regrets that we announce the passing of our beloved "Toni," who passed on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Antoinette "Toni" Vinora (Smith) Alphonse was born in Belize City, Belize on August 12, 1959 to Bernard and Wilder Smith. As a child she went to St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Primary School, and also attended Pallotti High School. Toni migrated to the U.S. in 1978, lived briefly in Los Angeles with her sister Glendora moving to Brooklyn, New York in 1979. She made Hartford her home in 1980, where she met her husband. She was blessed with a son, Kenneth, to whom she was truly devoted. Toni began her over 39-year career with the State of Connecticut at The Department of Revenue Services. Her career in Human Resources began at the Department of Children's and Families. She continued to rise and excel in that field at The Department of Administrative Services (APS Audit); Department of Economic and Community Development/ Department of Housing, Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, Department of Administrative Services (Statewide Workers Compensation), and Department of Correction. Working as the supervisor of the Automated Personnel System's (APS) Audit Unit Toni was considered one of the State's APS experts training and advising other State agency's HR staff the proper utilizations of that state-wide system. Toni was instrumental in the State's successful conversion from the legacy Conn. State Employees Information System (CSEIS) to APS and also later when the State converted from APS to Core-CT, the state-wide system currently in place. She also developed training processing manuals used to handle state worker compensation claims. Toni's passion and talent for cooking, entertaining and event planning was unrivaled. She loved hosting, no matter the occasion, always trying out new recipes, some of which worked and others would not be tried again. Toni was a seasoned traveler, by the end of each vacation she already had the next one planned. One of Toni's favorite places to visit was her birth home of Belize. Toni's home was always a warm, welcoming place. The number of photos displayed there told the visual story of someone who values her personal relationships and shows appreciation for those who shared their lives with her. A strong advocate for people with disabilities Toni dedicated a lot of time to the Greater Hartford Association For Retarded Citizens (HARC Inc) also serving as a member of the board for many years. Toni also volunteered for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Hartford campaign events. She is survived by husband Moses (Ken) Alphonse, her son Kenneth Alphonse, stepson Mervin Alphonse, sisters Tesla McKoy, Nelma Ramsay, Mindret Clarke, Icilma Ballard, Ruthbell Martinez, Laidia Joseph, Ilana Smith-Longsworth, Trinell Smith, Luana Smith, and Nellia Arana, brothers Ilan Smith, Bernard Smith, Berlan Smith, Ludwig Smith and Brady Smith, as well as cousins, nieces, nephews and extended family members, best friend Debbie Jones, Shakira Jones, and her honorary grandsons Shomar Leaphart and Ki'Andre Leaphart who called her "Granny Toni". Memorial contributions in Antoinette's name can be made to HARC Inc., 900 Asylum Ave, Hartford Ct 06105 or online at HARC-CT.org. Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 2, 2022 4-7 pm at Carmon Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor and on Friday, June 3, 2022, 10-10:45 am at Sacred Heart Church, 26 Wintonbury Ave., Bloomfield with a Mass of Christian Burial to follow at 11:00 am. Service will be livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook @ Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bloomfield, CT. To leave online condolences please visit, www.carmonfunerlhome.com

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Laske, Aliki (Totonis)



Aliki Laske (Totonis), 92, of New Britain, passed away peacefully on May 23, 2022. She was born in Istanbul (Constantinople), Turkey to the late Constantinos and Maria (Papalilo) Totonis, on March 20, 1930. She was predeceased in 2018 by her husband, Thanas "Arthur" Laske, whom she met and married in Turkey in 1948. She was also predeceased by her three brothers, Yiorgos, Stefanos and Akilas, whom she loved and admired dearly. She leaves behind her son Apostol and wife Judy of Wethersfield, and her three cherished grandsons Evan, Jordan, and Hayden. She also leaves behind her sister-in-law Helen Totonis of Glastonbury and many nieces and nephews, several of whom she was proud to be their Nouna (Godmother) and loved them as if they were her own children.
Chasing the American Dream, Aliki and Arthur immigrated to the US in 1956 with his parents, and with the tremendous support of the late Kasim Giaffo. Soon after coming to America, Aliki and her family opened Family Restaurant across the street from Colt's Manufacturing in the historic Coltsville district of Hartford. Over the years Aliki continued to lend her support to her family, whether it be by caring for her son and in-laws, or by standing by her husband as he pursued his business interests to support their family.
Aliki was a devoted wife and fiercely loyal and giving to her immediate and extended family. She loved to cook for everyone and was especially known for her baklava, which drew rave reviews. She cherished spending time with her family and always enjoyed hosting and attending large family and friend gatherings, especially those at the homes of her brothers and the many gatherings at Rocky Neck State Park.
Most importantly, Aliki's strong Eastern Orthodox Christian faith, which came from being raised in Constantinople, the mecca of her religion, was an integral part of her life. She never strayed from her faith, and even up to her final days, she remembered how to do the sign of the cross.
The family would like to sincerely thank the many people who provided care for Aliki over her last few years at the exceptional Jerome Home facility in New Britain. Prior to her stay there, there were several people that cared for her genuinely, including Stefani Kokthi, Michelle Bowden, and Shpresa Dine. The family was blessed to have Shpresa in her latter years. She cared for and loved her and was by her bedside in the end as if Aliki was her own mother. The family can never thank Shpresa enough and will always hold her near and dear to their hearts for the dedication, devotion and love she showed Aliki.
The funeral service will be held at 11 AM, on Tuesday, May 31st at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 433 Fairfield Ave, Hartford. Burial will follow in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford. Friends may call at the Church immediately prior to the funeral from 10-11AM. Funeral arrangements will be handled by Dillon-Baxter Funeral Home, 1276 Berlin Tpke, Wethersfield. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 433 Fairfield Ave, Hartford, CT or St. Mary's Albanian Orthodox Church, 535 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609, care of Aliki Laske. Please visit www.dillonbaxter.com to share a memory with the family.

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Mourkas, James Charles



James "Jim" Charles Mourkas peacefully passed away on April 1, 2022, while surrounded by family. It seems appropriate that April Fool's Day was the date of Jim's passing. Jim was quite the jokester and always willing to initiate a good prank.
Jim was born in Concord, New Hampshire, on May 29, 1928, to Constantine and Agoritsa (Tsiaparas) Mourkas. Jim attended public schools in Concord. After his family moved to Bristol, Connecticut, he graduated from Bristol High School in 1946. In September of 1946, Jim enlisted in the US Army, and served in Japan until February of 1948. During his service, Jim was selected to become part of an elite company to form an honor guard at the Imperial Palace in Tokyo across from General MacArthur's headquarters. Upon his return to the United States, Jim applied and was accepted to Yale University, graduating in 1952. After graduation he accepted a position with Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation, where he rose to the esteemed position of vice president of sales. After 30 years of service with J&L, Jim and his second wife Kathleen moved to Chicago where Jim finished his career working in the steel division of LTV.
Jim was active in and held leadership roles in many clubs and social groups. To name a few: president of the Pittsburgh Harvard/Yale/Princeton Club, secretary of the Yale Liners, member of the Economic Guild of Illinois, and a regular pontificating member of the Intellectual Corner that met weekly at the local McDonalds. He was a diehard Yale football fan and a local recruiter for the program. Jim also adored his beloved Pittsburgh Steelers. Having been a season ticket holder for many years, he was vigilant about keeping up to date with their progress. He was a regular at the Thirsty Thursday evening socials in his neighborhood and loved to regale friends and family with tales of yesteryear. Jim adored his family and checked in with everyone regularly. While Jim never entered the age of technology himself, he stayed up to date with the latest trends with his daily routine of reading the Chicago Tribune, completing the crossword puzzle, and reading the financial papers at the Hinsdale Library.
Jim was preceded in death by his parents, his second wife Kathleen Mangan Mourkas, his sister Alice Poulos, and his niece Diane Polezonis. He is survived by his children Anthony "George" (Anne) Mourkas, Catherine (William) Kastner, and Melissa Mourkas; his grandchildren Margaret (Shawn) Rogers, Lt. Michael (Mariel) Mourkas, USN; his nephew Dr. Stephen (Mary) Polezonis; his cousins Dorothy Spanos and Evelyn Joseph; his first wife Mary "Mimi" McCorison Mourkas; as well as many other relatives and friends.
A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.
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Hultman, Arthur W.



Arthur W. Hultman, 89, of West Hartford passed away on Saturday, May 14, 2022, at The Reservoir in West Hartford. Art was born in Hartford on January 30, 1933. He was predeceased by Arthur W. Hultman, Sr. in 1965 and Dorothy (Tucker) Hultman in 2005. He is survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Alan and Margaret Hultman of Newington. Art grew up in West Hartford and made his home there for most of his life. He was a graduate of Boston University. Art proudly served in the U.S. Coast Guard for two and a half years aboard the Eastwind. He was able to voyage almost to the Arctic Circle and explore parts of the world few people have the opportunity to see. Art was employed as a statistician for many years in Hartford, CT. Art was also a teacher, having taught in Concord, NH for three years, and in the Farmington Public Schools as a substitute teacher for more than 40 years. Art was a true historian, and he shared his knowledge with many middle school students over the decades. He was knowledgeable about many subjects and enjoyed trivia. He was an avid fan of Jeopardy and As Schools Match Wits. Art was an amazing gardener who could grow any kind of berry and the most delicious cherry tomatoes. Art loved dogs, especially beagles, and had several faithful companions over the years including Ranger, Shadow, and Sherlock, his most recent canine family member. Art will be dearly missed by his loving family and his many friends.
Funeral and Burial Services are private. Sheehan Hilborn Breen Funeral Home, 1084 New Britain Avenue, West Hartford, has care of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS, 66675. Online condolences may be made at www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com.

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Hines, Richard W



Richard Walton Hines died after a brief illness on Friday January 7th, 2022. He was 86 years old. A celebration of Life service will be held at St Matthew Lutheran Church, 224 Lovely Street, Avon CT on June 4th, 2022 at 11:00 am. Reception to follow. In Lieu of flowers the family requests donations to any one of his favorite causes: The Hartt School of Music at the University of Hartford in West Hartford, CT, the Avon Public Library and St Matthew Lutheran Church.

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Goehring, Margaret T. (Smith)



Margaret T. (Smith) Goehring, 89 years old, of Burlington, CT was called to the Lord on the afternoon of May 11, 2022. Margaret was born in New York City on December 8, 1932 and was the daughter of the late Michael and Abby Smith. Margaret was a 1950 graduate of the Holy Child High School in New York City and received nursing training and subsequently worked at New York Presbyterian Hospital as a neo-natal caregiver. After moving to Connecticut in 1957 with her husband, Robert, Margaret was busy raising her ever-growing Irish clan and working as a daycare provider for many years. Children were Margaret's passion in life; from raising her own to fostering many in need of a caring mom's hug, to welcoming two adoptees into the fold. Margaret's other life-long passion was sports. Whether it was her own personal involvement and enthusiasm in women's softball leagues, volleyball and tennis to her obsession with UConn Men's/Women's basketball to professional baseball (NY Giants/NY Mets), football (NY Giants) and hockey (NY Rangers) you didn't want to be the one to interrupt her while she was watching these sports. Her paramount commitment to attending and cheering at each and every sporting event that her children participated in, and the pride she displayed in their accomplishments and delight at Ann Marie's success in the Special Olympics, will always bring on a soft smile and will permanently live warmly in each of their hearts. Margaret treasured the love of her pets throughout the years. She was a deeply spiritual woman throughout her life and found comfort with Jesus by her side.

Margaret was predeceased by her loving husband of 58 years, Robert, sister Rose Beers and brother, James Smith. She is survived by her 6 children; son Michael and his wife Mary of Clover, SC, son Robert and his wife Kathleen of Haverhill, MA, daughter Ann Marie of Avon, CT, son Kevin and his wife Linda of Simsonville, SC, daughter, Piper of East Hartford, CT and son, Patrick of Eagle Lake, IA. In addition, she leaves 6 grandchildren: Taylor, Enya, Melissa, Joshua, Trevor, and Aidan; 2 great grandchildren, Madison and Jay; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family would like to sincerely offer thanks to all of the nursing staff at The Pines in Bristol, CT for their compassion and care during her stay.

Friends may call at The Ahern Funeral Home, 111 Main Street, Rt. 4, Unionville, CT on Friday June 3 from 4:00—7:00 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, June 4 at 10:00 a.m. in the Church of St. Mary Star of the Sea, 145 Main Street, Unionville, CT. Burial will be at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, donations in Margaret's name can be made to the Favarh organization (caregiver of Margaret's daughter, Ann Marie), 225 Commerce Drive, Canton, CT 06019. To send online condolences to the family, please visit www.ahernfuneralhome.com.

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Gamber, David B. (Big Dave)



David B. Gamber (Big Dave), 55, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on May 17, 2022.

Dave will be remembered by everyone he met for his warm and caring approach to every aspect of life. He was a youth sports coach, a mentor to dozens of young people, a friend to everyone he met, and someone who truly believed in the importance of creating lasting memories of good times shared with family and friends. Dave loved nothing more than spending time with his very large extended family and traveling between his family in Florida and his family in New England. He was a firm believer in the idea that a life well lived was one filled with memories of time spent with the people who are most important to us. The truth of that is in the people he leaves behind, all of whom have wonderful stories of their time with Dave whether just sitting around a campfire talking, sharing a meal, boating in the warm waters of Florida, or sailing in Long Island Sound. Dave enjoyed teaching family to ski in his younger days, and he always enjoyed trips to live events from concerts to NASCAR races with his family. Dave was very involved with his business, while building his successful business many of his clients became close acquaintances and friends over the years. Dave would often talk about how much he enjoyed those relationships with his clients.

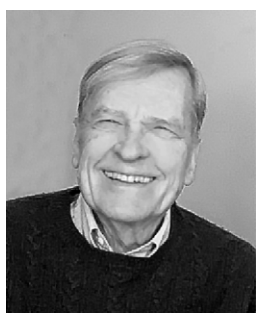
Dave was pre-deceased by his mother Pauline (Petersen) Gamber, his father Frederick Gamber, and two brothers; Thomas Gamber and Brian Gamber. He leaves his "second mom" his aunt Diane Royko of Burlington, his older brother Frederick Gamber and his wife Sheila Gamber of Westfield, Massachusetts, his younger brother Mark Gamber of Burlington, Connecticut, a niece Leann Key-Wallace of Clinton, Massachusetts, a nephew Frederick Gamber of East Windsor, Connecticut, a cousin who was more like a brother in John Royko of Burlington, Connecticut, another brotherly cousin in Shannon Vigue of Florida, a cousin who was like a sister in Terri Delahanty, several grand nieces and nephews, as well as dozens of cousins along with countless friends and acquaintances all of whom were near and dear to his heart.

The family would like to thank the wonderful staff at UCONN Medical Center for the amazing care he received along with the staff at Amberwoods of Farmington. The family would also like to thank Peter Woods of Burlington for his constant, amazing help and companionship for Dave.

Friends may call at The Ahern Funeral Home, 111 Main St., Rt. 4, Unionville on Thursday, June 2nd, 2022 from 5:00-8:00pm followed by a private family service. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations in David's name to the American Cancer Society or the UCONN Medical Center Oncology Department. To send online condolences to the family, please visit www.ahernfuneralhome.com.

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Lent, Edgar E.



Edgar E. Lent, 89, of Avon, beloved husband of Marilyn (Anderson) Lent, passed away Friday, May 13, 2022. Born in Jersey City, NJ, son of the late Edgar and Elsa (Nelson) Lent, he was raised in New Jersey. Edgar received his BA from Upsala College and following graduation he served in the US Air Force rising to the rank of Captain and served two years in Alaska. His professional career began as a financial planner with first the Travelers Insurance Company then The Hartford. He later started his own financial planning office, Diversified Financial Services located in Simsbury. Edgar loved people and a room would light up as soon as he entered. He made people feel good which is why they remembered him, certainly traits that helped his successful career and earned him many good friends over the years. He also enjoyed classical music and reading, especially history. He was fascinated by the English Monarchy and could spend hours learning and reading about the subject. He had an active sports side and enjoyed golf and tennis which he played with his wife. A deeply Christian man, he sang in the choir for many years throughout his life. He cultivated many friendships and enjoyed years attending the Community Bible Study at Valley Community Baptist Church where people from many diverse religious backgrounds found the way to study the Bible together. He was a Master Mason and former member of Valley Lodge in Simsbury. Ed and Marilyn particularly enjoyed many adventures with the long standing group affectionately known as the "Adventure Group". Besides Marilyn to whom he had been married for 58 years; he leaves his daughter Kristen L. Culbertson and her husband Thomas of Avon; his son Jeffrey T. Lent and his wife Mary Colyn of Simsbury; and three grandchildren Jared, Annika, and Katherine Culbertson. A Memorial Service will be held Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 11AM at Valley Community Baptist Church, 590 West Avon Road, Avon. A Reception will follow the service. A private entombment will be at the family's convenience at Simsbury Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to: Tunnel to Towers Foundation (www.t2t.org) or the American Heart Association (heart.org). The Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center of Avon is caring for the arrangements. For directions or condolences please visit: www.carmonfuneralhome.com

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Gilliard, Betty Lillian (Martin)



Betty Lillian (Martin) Gilliard, 91, of Hartford, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 20, 2022, with her family by her side at St. Francis Hospital. Born in Hartford on March 30, 1931, daughter of the late Ralph Martin, Sr. and Eleanor (Hert) Martin, she was a graduate of Weaver High School and a lifelong resident of Hartford. While growing up, Betty worked in the tobacco business and as a hat steamer at Butterfly Hats in downtown Hartford. After high school, she worked at the Institute of Living and later took a position as a mail clerk for the City of Hartford where she worked for 25 years, loving this job until her retirement in 2009. She was a past president of SANDS Association and the Bellevue Square Committee. In her spare time, she enjoyed listening to her favorite jazz music, completing crossword puzzles, going to the casino and playing the Lottery, and spending time with her family. She leaves to mourn her passing, a son, Omari Harmonallie (Ida) of Hartford; a brother, Reginald Martin and his wife Joan of Newington; seven grandchildren, Michael, Mercedes, and Mark Cooper, Kevin Gilliard, Torrie and Ralph Hall-Gilliard, and Tasha Woolten of Minnesota; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other relatives including special ladies, Cynthia Tolliver of Hartford, Donna Hansley of Hartford, Fadine Gordon of Rocky Hill, and Judy Gillespie of South Carolina, and so many friends. The family would like to express deep appreciation to Pam Foster, Grace Holmes, Peaches Jefferson, Jeanie and Bay Pertillar, Lila Branch, Mable Duvall, Boo Perry, Irene Perry, Helen Perry, and Theresa Carter, and family, tons of friends, from the City of Hartford, (the girls club) Vinewood CO-OP, Northend Senior Center, Dr. Todd Bell and Dr. Kevin Collins. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by three loving daughters, Sharon Cooper, Janet Gilliard-Carter, and Lydia Gilliard; and two brothers, Donald and Robert Holloway. Her family will receive friends on Thursday, June 2, 9-11 a.m., followed by a Homegoing Service at 11 a.m., at The Lodge Community Chapel, 130 Deerfield Rd., Windsor. Burial will follow in Northwood Cemetery, Hartford. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to a charity of the donor's choice. The family would like to extend a special thanks to the doctors, nurses and staff at Hartford Hospital ICU, Avery Heights, and the caregivers from Hartford Healthcare. Carmon Windsor Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements. For online condolences, please visit, www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Pinto, Joanne L. (Linder)



Joanne (Linder) Pinto, 88, of Hilton Head Island, SC, formerly of West Hartford CT, beloved wife of Francis Pinto to whom she was married to for the past 26 years, passed away peacefully on May 25, 2022. Born in Bristol, CT, daughter of the late George and Louise (Gillespie) Linder, she was a graduate of Bristol H.S., then went on to earn a B.S. in Nursing from Yale New Haven School of Nursing in 1954. Joanne had a wonderful and fulfilling career as registered nurse. Always athletic, Joanne took up the sport of figure skating in her 30's and subsequently became a professional skating instructor at the Veterans Memorial Skating Rink in West Hartford, CT. She also worked as a travel agent during the 1980's helping people book their perfect vacation, later specializing in business travel. This, her third successful career, allowed Joanne to travel extensively which she enjoyed immensely.

Upon the death of her first husband, Ernest St. Jacques, Joanne embarked on a new career as a certified personal trainer with a focus on elder wellness care. She was the first person to achieve the designation of Fitness Practitioner, which required a medical background. Joanne started her own business, The Wellness Connection, and was instrumental with helping people live full, active lives well into their golden years. In 1995, Joanne met and married the love of her life, Frances Pinto. Joanne and Fran spent many hours dining and dancing and had a wonderful, happy life together. A wonderful and fiercely loyal mother, Joanne enjoyed close relationships with her three children until the time of her passing. Joanne enjoyed fine wine, fine food and laughter. Joanne was famous for her sweet-tooth and could be counted on to sneak a second or even third piece of birthday cake. The contents of your cookie jar were never safe when Joanne was around! Despite her healthy appetite, she managed to stay slim and trim by walking faster than the speed of light, making those walking along side of her to have to break out into a skip. Joanne had a wonderful sense of humor, and always laughed the loudest at herself.

Joanne was a beautiful woman both inside and out and remained so up to her passing. In addition to her husband, Joanne leaves her children Jay St. Jacques (Maritsa) of Gilford, NH, Susan Syme (Jim) of Hilton Head Island, SC and Christopher St Jacques (Jane) of Hilton Head Island, SC. She also leaves 6 grandchildren, Timothy St. Jacques, Eric (Gina) Syme, Troy Syme, Tyler St. Jacques and Brent St. Jacques.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at 9:15 am at St. Francis by the Sea Catholic Church, Hilton Head Island, SC with the Mass of Christian Burial starting at 10am. Burial will follow at Six Oaks Cemetery, Hilton Head Island, SC. In lieu of flowers please donate to Palmetto Animal League, 56 Riverwalk Blvd, Ridgeland, SC. 29936.

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Tilley, Janette Bell



Janette Bell Tilley, 83, passed peacefully at Bristol Hospital on May 22, 2022. Jan, as she was lovingly known by friends and family, was born in Hartford, CT and raised in the West Hartford area. She was a loving mother and a doting grandmother and great-grandmother who loved spending time with her family. Jan was predeceased by her parents, William Robert Freidenfelt and Helen Young Freidenfelt and her sister Barbara Frye. She leaves behind a son, Raymond Tilley and his wife Tricia of Kissimmee, FL; a daughter, Robin Bonanno and her husband Tom of Conway, SC; and a daughter, Amy Tilley of Bristol, CT. Jan leaves behind 5 grandchildren, Stacy Lapointe, Norman Roane Jr., Sadie Grengs and her husband James, Portia Tilley, and Chandler Foss. She also leaves behind 5 great grandchildren -Jada Ruiz, Dean, Jack and Max Grengs, and Chandler Foss Jr. - two sisters, and family friend Jose Ruiz. She will be deeply missed by all.

The family wishes to express a very special thanks to Country Side Manor of Bristol for taking such good care of "Tilley", as they lovingly knew her.

At Jan's request, she will have a private Ceremony with her immediate family present. Please feel free to share online expressions of sympathy, memories or photo tribute at www.rosehillfuneralhomes.com. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Jan's name to the American Diabetic Association, St. Jude's Hospital, American Heart Association or a charity of your choice.

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Stevens, Carol Ann



Carol Ann Stevens, 74, of Canton, beloved wife of David Lasprogato, died Monday, May 23, 2022 at her home surrounded by family. She was born on February 23, 1948 in Waterbury, daughter of the late George and Lourance (Haddad) Stevens and lived in Marlborough, Connecticut, prior to moving to Canton 28 years ago. Carol graduated from Bay Path University with a degree in Marketing. She was an Executive Assistant at CPTV and then CIGNA insurance company prior to her retirement. Carol was known for her quick smile and engaging personality. An avid reader, she was a member of the Friends of the Canton Library where she ran the yearly book sale.

Carol was predeceased by her two brothers, Michael Stevens and Louis Stevens, and is survived by her nephew Gregory Stevens, and niece Krystina Schulze.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, June 4th at Vincent Funeral Home, 120 Albany Turnpike in Canton. Donations in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 2247, Oklahoma City, OK 73123, or a local dog shelter of your choice.

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Giorgetti, Gina M.



Gina Marie Giorgetti, 67, of Windsor, passed away on April 14, 2022 at John Dempsy Hospital in Farmington. Born on February 4, 1955 in Southington, CT, she was a daughter of the late Victor and Elizabeth (Gallosky) Giorgetti. Gina worked at and attended the Allied Rehabilitation Center in Enfield, CT for over 30 years. Gina is survived by her brother Thomas Giorgetti of Bristol, CT; her sisters Mary Gilmartin of Enfield, CT and Vicki Ingraham of Leland, NC. Gina was predeceased by her brother Peter Giorgetti. Gina's family would like to thank the staff at Kennedy Road PrimeCare for the love and care they showed to Gina. A graveside service will be held on June 4, 2022, at 11am at St. Joseph Cemetery, 522 Terryville Ave., Bristol. Guests will want to enter St. Joseph's North Side driveway and find Section 40. Memorial donations may be made to the Allied Rehabilitation Center, C/O Daniel Bolduc, 3 Pearson Way, Enfield CT 06082. Family and friends are invited to leave a condolence message or upload their favorite picture of Gina by visiting www.dupontfuneralhome.com

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Higgins, Nancy (Gorski)



Nancy (Gorski) Higgins, beloved wife of Norman Higgins, entered peacefully into eternal life surrounded by her family on Wednesday May 25, 2022. Born in Hartford on July 10,1951, daughter of the late Louis Gorski Sr. and Anastasia (Pawluk) Gorski.
Nancy raised her family in Glastonbury, continually exemplifying her spiritual strength, teaching us all to be humble, patient and above all to love one another, while always praying to our Lord Jesus. Nancy always said "I don't mind getting older because I am getting closer to Jesus ". Nothing brought more joy than her family and friends including her beloved pets. Nancy worked at Patrons Ins. and Amica Ins. but most of her talent was saved for the Church family while volunteering and chairing many committees over 30 years. Nancy brilliantly reflected the kindness of her grandfather, The Very Reverend John Pawluk. She was truly one of God's Shining Stars and left this world a better place.
Nancy was predeceased by her sister Ann Carney and is survived by a sister Sandra Gorski and a brother Louis Gorski Jr. daughters Christine and husband, the late Gregory Priest, Kimberly Eagen and husband Robert, granddaughters Kelly, Ashley, Katelyn, Jacqueline, Nicole and nieces, nephews, many cousins and their loved ones. A heartfelt thanks to all of Nancy's Htfd. Health Care Hospice group and all of her Dr's past and present. We are blessed to have such dedicated, caring and loving support and will forever be grateful.
A Mass will be celebrated on Saturday June 4, at 11:00 am in St. Augustine Church, 55 Hopewell Rd, South Glastonbury. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers memorial gifts in Nancy Higgins name, may be made to: Saints Isidore & Maria Parish, 2577 Main St. Glastonbury, CT. 06033 and First Church of Christ 2183 Main St. Glastonbury CT. 06033. For online condolences please visit www.mulryanfh.com

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Colvin, Lawrence M

Lawrence M. Colvin Jr., 79, of South Windsor, died peacefully and surrounded by family on May 25, 2022. He was the husband of Carol (Weber) Colvin for 55 years. He was born in Stowe, Vermont; on October 30, 1942 to the late Marguerite (Martel) George and Lawrence Colvin Sr., who died in World War II combat before meeting his son.

Larry grew up in Moosup, CT, surrounded by his aunts, uncles, and cousins, and spending a lot of time at the family's Springbrook Farm. He attended local schools and went on to Willimantic State Teachers College, where he met Carol and graduated in 1964. Larry taught middle school math and social studies in the Vernon school system for 36 years at Sykes and VCMS. He also served for many years as advisor for the Government Club, taking students on a week-long tour of Washington D.C. Besides spending time with his family, adoring his grandchildren, and looking for good deals, Larry especially enjoyed working in the garden and was rightly proud of having his home featured on the Manchester Garden Tour. Larry also took pride in sharing his talents by creating flower bouquets for his daughters' weddings and decorating all of the family homes for Christmas, which was his favorite holiday. For the past 22 years, Larry and Carol enjoyed spending half of their time in Madeira Beach, Florida at their condo that overlooked the Gulf of Mexico.

In addition to Carol, Larry is survived by his beloved sister, Gloria Bombardier Sulkowski, his daughters and sons-in-law, Christina and Tim Finnegan, Valerie and Rick Carterud, and Cynthia and Albert Fox, his treasured grandchildren Brian, Rebecca, Brendan, Rachel, Ryan, Alex, and Allie, and many treasured cousins, nieces, nephews and good friends. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings Regina and George, and his stepfather, Leo Bombardier.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 673 Ellington Rd, South Windsor, CT, on Thursday, June 9, at 11 a.m. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family has set up a scholarship in Larry's name for Rockville High students who will be attending his beloved Eastern Connecticut State University. Donations may be sent to Rockville High School, 70 Loveland Hill Rd, Vernon, CT 06066. Please include Lawrence Colvin Memorial Scholarship in the memo line of checks.

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Rinaldi, Rosina



Rosina (Calabrese) Rinaldi, 96, of Wethersfield, beloved wife of the late Salvatore Rinaldi, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at Maple View Health & Rehabilitation, Rocky Hill. Born in Pontelandolfo, Province of Benevento, Italy on November 26, 1925, she was the daughter of the late Antonio and Anna (Polletta) Calabrese.
Rosina was a talented seamstress who worked for several dress shops in Hartford over the years. She was proud of her 65 year membership in the St. Anthony Society, where she served as President for 27 years. She was a lifelong parishioner of St. Anthony and later St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church of Hartford. Rosina had a beautiful garden and she loved cooking meals for her family, and will be especially remembered for her Sunday and Holiday dinners.
A loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Rosina will be forever missed by her two sons, Michael Rinaldi of Wethersfield and Antonio Rinaldi and his wife Lilliana of Rocky Hill; two adored grandchildren, Gina Marie Rinaldi of Wethersfield and Anthony Michael Rinaldi and his wife Melissa of Cromwell; two cherished great-grandchildren, Christian and Luca Rinaldi; an aunt, Nicolina Polletta of Rocky Hill, along with many nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family members, both here and in Italy. She was predeceased by two brothers, Giuseppe and Rocco Calabrese. The family would like to extend a special thank you to the nurses and staff at Maple View Health & Rehabilitation for their tender and compassionate care over the years. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Wednesday (June 1st) at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church, 285 Church Street, Hartford. Everyone is asked to please meet directly at the church. Burial will follow in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. In lieu of flowers, donations in Rosina's memory may be made to Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN), 5817 Old Leeds Rd., Irondale, AL 35210 or the Office of Radio & Television, 15 Peach Orchard Rd., Prospect, CT 06712. To share a memory of Rosina with her family, please visit www.desopofuneralchapel.com.

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Uliasz, Heather J. (Chase)



Heather J. Chase Uliasz, 59, of Meriden went home peacefully to be with the Lord on May 19, 2022 at the Hospital of Central Connecticut in New Britain, following a lengthy illness.

She was the wife of Stephen Uliasz of Meriden, CT. She was born in Meriden, April 16, 1963, a daughter of the late Roger A. Chase and Joyce B. Lenart Chase.

As a young girl who loved animals but especially horses, she rode in many competitions and owned several beloved horses over the years. She loved the outdoors, and from childhood spent in the woods of Vermont on weekends to times as an adult with both her families, she had countless happy memories.

She was an avid and knowledgeable gardener and also had a deep love of music. She played piano as a youth, and until recently sang with the Worship Team at New Life Church in Wallingford. She was very proud of and deeply loved her son David and all his accomplishments through the years. She was a gentle, generous and loving soul with great persistence and patience, who 'fought the good fight' and loved the Lord Jesus.

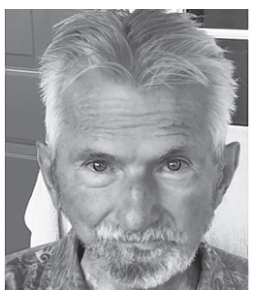
In addition to her husband Stephen and her son, David Uliasz of Hamden, CT, she is survived by her sisters, Dawn Chase Arico and her husband Mark of Colorado, and Sherry Chase LaLima and her husband Gary of Florida; her in-laws, Joanne and Kenneth Uliasz of Glastonbury, CT; her sisters-in-law, Katherine Carroll of Broad Brook, CT and Maura Sutton and her husband Brett of Cambridge, NY; her brothers-in-law, Craig Uliasz and his wife Tracy of Tariffville, CT and Alan Uliasz of Colchester, CT, and all of their families, including many nieces and nephews, and several grand-nieces and grand-nephews as well.

Her family will hold a celebration of life at a future date. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to New Life Church (newlifechurchct.com) or the American Brain Tumor Association (abta.org).

Arrangements are entrusted to the Molloy Funeral Home of West Hartford, CT. Online condolences and memories may be left at www.molloyfuneralhome.com.

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NORWOOD, DWIGHT L JR.



(March 30th, 1947-April 26th, 2022) After absconding to Vermont from Connecticut during the height of the pandemic with his lover, stockpiling a year's supply of chocolate syrup and booze, he was ultimately done in by complications associated with a random case of pneumonia. His wife (and lover) of 50 years and 4 grown children were present and surrounding him with love during his transition. After growing up in Lee, MA and Manassas VA he attended the University of Notre Dame. Having completed a cross country trip in a bright orange hearse with his longest standing friend, and graduating, Dwight moved to CT where he had a job lined up. Ultimately this move led him to meet Marie Ostapchuck who would become the Yin to his Yang, lifetime partner and mother of his children. In addition to being survived by his wife Marie and children Timothy, Rebecca, Daniel and Jonathan, he also leaves eight grandchildren. A paragraph cannot properly sum the impacts, the adventures, and the lessons this man shared with the people in his orbit and beyond. From the special relationships he had with his children's friends to the last client he helped from the ICU as a therapist, to the friends and family he opened his home to, his influence spanned generations and geography. Dwight literally had friends from every walk of life; from cowboys and ministers to computer programmers and psychics-he made impactful connections with anyone willing to talk. In the last 10 years he worked hard to understand and practice Buddhism. This is important, as his 4 year old grandson assured us that we had nothing to fear in "Bubba's" passing—in his own words "He'll be back... as a girl". Dwight's most crowning achievements as voted on by his children: receiving his Doctorate of Social Work from UCONN at the age of 70, earning the title Dwight "Lee" from his teenage daughters' friends after being spotted practicing his katas , repeatedly playing hooky with his children to ski around the country (he still got out this last winter for turns), creating a home with Marie where Everyone was always welcome for dinner, surviving the 1970's, surviving his own childhood, raising 4 children who are mostly well adapted to the world, and perhaps most importantly-leaving a legacy that it is never too old to learn, grow, change careers or pursue your next dream. His Celebration of Life will be June 24th from 5pm-8pm at the Polish Falcons Nest 519, The Falcon's Grove, 144 Prout Hill Rd., Middletown CT, 06457.

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Szubstarski, Maria "Alina"



Maria "Alina" Szubstarski passed away on Monday, May 16, 2022. Alina was born in Brzesc (Brest-Litovsk), in the Republic of Poland. She was educated in Kutno, Poland, where her family located after World War II broke out, and then furthered her education at Warsaw Polytechnic University.

As a young woman, she moved to the United States, learned to speak English, and found employment at the Aetna Insurance Company. Alina worked for over forty years as an analyst at Aetna in various roles, most recently as a service consultant in the Settlements Department.

Alina is predeceased by her parents, her brother Janek Szubstarski, her sister Wanda Walczak, and nephew Grzegorz Walczak, as well as her dear friend, David Cole. She is survived by her nephew, Andrzej Walczak of Poland, and three grandnieces.

She is also survived by her good friend Carolyn Malon, who has been her guardian for the past three years. Alina also leaves behind Carolyn's children, Alicia and Tomi Moran, to whom she was especially close, and who considered her a beloved member of their family.

New Britain Memorial & Donald D. Sagarino Funeral Home, 444 Farmington Avenue, New Britain has been entrusted with arrangements.

A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, June 4, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. at St. Mary Church, 626 Willard Avenue, Newington, CT. There are no calling hours. Burial will be in Poland, at the convenience of her family. Memorial donations may be made to: Well Wishes for Uganda at wellwishesforuganda.org. For an online memorial, please visit www.NewBritainSagarino.com.

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Graham, Jr., Charles W.

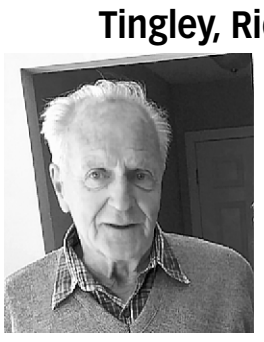


Charles W. Graham, Jr., 93, of East Granby, loving father to four children, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 21, 2022. He was born on May 20, 1929, in Springfield, MA, son to Charles W. Graham, Sr. and Mary E. (Whitney) Graham. Chick grew up in Enfield and was a graduate of Enfield High School, Class of 1947. In November of 1948, he entered the service where he proudly served his country with the United States Air Force during the Korean War before his honorable discharge in September of 1952. During the 1960's, Chick owned and operated Graham's Shoes & Furnishings in Thompsonville before returning to school where he enrolled in the former Morse School of Business in Hartford. After earning his degree, he was employed with Cigna for many years as an Accountant before his retirement in 1984. During his retirement, he worked part-time at Crawford Door Sales Company in Suffield. In his spare time, Chick enjoyed traveling to Florida and Vermont with his family and loved cheering on the Boston Red Sox and the UConn Women's Basketball team. Chick was also quite the car enthusiast who loved antique cars of all makes and models. He was such an easy-going, loving person who was able to converse with just about anyone that was willing to listen and his ability to make friends was effortless.
Chick is survived by his four children, Jeffrey Graham and his wife Darcy of Leesville, SC, Mary Shea and her husband Richard of Unionville, Lori Throwe and her husband James of South Windsor and Gordon Graham of Enfield; his six grandchildren Jessica Weems and her husband Ken, Steven Graham, Whitney Eichler and her husband Erik, Kristopher Shea, Jamie Throwe and Sarah Graham and his three great-grandchildren Austin, Kinsley and Greyson. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his first wife and the mother of his children, Barbara (Reinhardt) Graham, his second wife Jean (Schumm) Graham and his sister, Nancy Gullatt.
A graveside service with military honors will be held on Saturday, June 4, 2022, at 11 a.m. in the Enfield Street Cemetery (Rte 5) Enfield, CT. Memorial donations may be made to the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, Inc., 103 Vision Way, Bloomfield, CT 06002. To leave an online message of condolence for his family, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Tingley, Richard Leonard



Richard Leonard Tingley "Dick," of Ocala FL, passed away on April 19, 2022, in the early morning surrounded by his family. He was born in Hartford, Connecticut on April 21, 1932, the only child of Leonard Tingley and Sylvia Nordstrom Tingley. Richard is survived by his high school sweetheart and wife of 68 years, Barbara Smith Tingley and their four children, Linda Parker, Nancy Hurlburt (Michael), Russell Tingley and Donna Plickys (Michael). He also leaves eight grandchildren and six greatgrandchildren. He is predeceased by his parents, his son, Stephen Dale Tingley (USMC) and granddaughter, Jacqueline Marie Tingley.
Richard grew up in West Hartford and was a neighbor to Frederick Rentschler who he delivered papers to in his youth. He graduated from Hall High School. Richard served in the US Air Force from 1951 to 1953 and went on to earn his bachelor's degree at Springfield College and a Master of Education degree from The University of Hartford. In college, Richard was a tremendous athlete who was twice awarded All-American honors in soccer. After college, he began his career in Granby Public Schools followed by Ellington Schools and ended his career in the Vernon School system. For all his dedication to Rockville High School, Richard was inducted into the Rockville High School Athletic Hall of Fame in 2016.
Through the years Richard served the communities of Ellington and Vernon CT in various roles including being on the Ellington Board of Education, coaching numerous sports in both Vernon and Ellington including Little and Big League baseball, and ran the Horowitz Community Pool in Vernon. He was instrumental in the organization and formation of the Connecticut CCC High School sports conference.
He organized travel clubs for the students to numerous countries during his time at Rockville HS. Being an avid skier, he managed trips through SKI 93 to New Hampshire. He loved watching his own children play sports and always found a way to be present at their games.
Upon retiring, Richard and Barbara enjoyed time in Vermont before moving to Ocala where he continued his love of golf and his interest in collecting and restoring antique cars.
Throughout his life Richard always had time for his family and friends. It was his passion.
There will be no formal services. Due to Richard's admiration and fondness of all animals, donations can be made in his name to a local Humane Society or animal shelter of your choice.

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Russell, Christopher M.



Christopher Mark Russell, of East Hartford, passed away May 21, 2022, in the line of duty helping others in North Haven. He was born in Hartford, son of Mark Russell and Lisa Wroniak. Chris was an avid Star Wars fan and collected many trucks and toys throughout his adventures. He had a love of helping animals in need and currently was helping Peanut and Huffle Tuff, two squirrels, and Jimmy Jam, a sugar glider, back to health. He had a close bond with his parrot Frank as well. He loved to go on road trips and to go boating. He was employed by Recovery Tow and Transport, LLC. and was loved by many in the towing community. He had a large heart and was always on the lookout to help those in need. May the force be forever with you.
Chris is survived by his mother Lisa Wroniak and her husband Tom Wroniak, and his father Mark Russell and his wife Delia Russell. He also left behind siblings, Bruce Russell and wife Sara, Dina Rennie and her husband Aaron, and his twin Kelly Vieth and her husband Chris. He will be greatly missed by his nieces and nephews: Merideth, Jayden, Kaylee, Miles, Kellen and Reagan.
Friends may call on the family on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Farley-Sullivan Funeral Home, 34 Beaver Road, Wethersfield. A Memorial Service celebrating Chris' life will take place on Wednesday June 1, 2022 at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. Burial will follow in Saint James Cemetery, Manchester. To extend condolences, please visit Farleysullivan.com.

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Masi, Josephine M.(Cirone)



Josephine "Josie" M. (Cirone) Masi, 96, of East Hartford, loving wife of the late Victor L. Masi, for over 48 years, peacefully passed away with her caring family by her side at her home on Saturday, May 21, 2022. Born in Hartford on July 10, 1925, a daughter of the late Frank and Mary (Grieco) Cirone, she had been a resident of East Hartford for most of her life. Prior to her retirement, she was employed as a chef at A.I. Prince Tech School in Hartford, she was an amazing cook. She was a former member of St. Christopher Church, East Hartford, enjoyed playing cards and visiting the area casinos, and loved watching "game shows" and the PGA on TV. Most of all, she was a devoted and proud wife, mother, and grandmother who cherished her time spent with her family.
Josephine is survived by her three beloved daughters, Ann Hillman and her husband, John, of Sparks, NV, Janet Chase of Boise, ID, and Lori Masi of East Hartford. She also leaves the loving Snyder and Vasquez family members; four special grandchildren; three adored great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, and dear friends. She was predeceased by her son, Paul J.Chase of East Hartford.
Josephine's family will receive relatives and friends on Thursday (June 2, 2022) from 4 – 7 pm at the D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter Street, East Hartford. Private funeral service and burial will be held at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Josephine's name may be made to the American Cancer Society, 111 Founders Plaza, 2nd Floor, East Hartford, CT 06108. For on-line expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoeh.com.

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Kenzior, Norman



Norman Kenzior, beloved Father, Grandfather, Uncle and Brother, passed away at home, at the age of 80, on November 16, 2021, twenty years to the day of the passing of his dear wife, Tamara.
He was an avid Baseball fan and had his dream job of Security at Peoria Sports Complex where he got to meet many of the Pros he so admired. He also worked security for several years at Glendale Stadium where he met several football teams and Entertainers, his favorite being Sammy Hagar and his Co-Entertainer, whom he spoke with at length while having no idea that he was none other than Kenny Chesney. He was a devout Catholic and served as Eucharistic Minister at St. Clement of Rome in Sun City, where he also sang proudly as a member of the Choir. He also volunteered for 10 years at Boswell Thunderbird Hospital. Norm served as a proud Marine and was a member of the American Legion for 47 years where he served as Commander.
Predeceased by his wife Tamara (Margnelli) Kenzior and mother, Mary (Vojtila) Kenzior, he is survived by his loving son, Paul Kenzior and his wife Wendy (St. Amand) Kenzior and their 3 children and Son-in-Law, whom he loved and adored, Kyle Kenzior, Jesse Kenzior, Kayla (Kenzior) Aguilar and her husband, Jonathan Aguilar. He also leaves several nieces, nephews, family and friends that he loved so very much.
A Catholic Memorial Mass was held Monday, December 20, 2021 at St. Clement of Rome in Sun City, AZ. The family is bringing him home to be buried with his wife and mother on Saturday, June 4th at 11am at St. Mary's Cemetery, New Britain, CT.

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Manning, Mary E (Confare)



Mary E. Manning passed away on May 17th, 2022 at age 77 in Colchester, Connecticut. She was a caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend.
The youngest of four children, Mary was born to Charles and Esther Confare on July 20th, 1944 in Davenport, Iowa. She spent much of her youth in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and graduated from Washington High School. During a time when women were uncommon in the workplace, she sought opportunity by attending Spencerian Business College and becoming a Manpower "White Glove" girl.
She married Ernest Manning in December 1965 and built a life with him in Lebanon, Connecticut over the following 56 years. Having moved from metropolitan Milwaukee to a rural part of New England, her independent spirit led her to learn to drive and buy her own car while her new husband was on active duty at sea. She learned to hold her own as an "outlaw" in the Manning family, the term spouses marrying into the clan coined for themselves, insisting on their own group picture at family reunions.
Mary was an industrious person who balanced work and family, working for Singer, the Franklin School System, the Savings Institute Bank & Trust, The American Thread Company, and Big Y Supermarkets. She was known for her needlework, and crocheted hundreds of baby blankets that she shared with anyone who might need one. She loved bird watching, reading, and playing cards with friends.
Mary was predeceased by her parents and brother, Harry Confare. She is survived by her husband, Ernest; her children, Joey, Eric, Chris, and Sarah; her grandchildren; Morgan, Matthew, Julie, and Ethan; Sister Charlotte Confare of Wisconsin; Brother Robert Confare of Arizona; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews.
There will be a celebration of Mary's life later this summer.
If you wish to make a donation in honor of Mary, please consider donating to Heifer International.

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Nelson, Brenda (Parker)

Brenda (Parker) Nelson of Reading, MA, formerly of Lexington, MA, Spartanburg, SC and Weston, MA passed away on May 24, 2022 at the Bear Hill Nursing Center in Stoneham, MA. She was 69 years of age. Brenda was born in Winchester, Massachusetts on February 9, 1953, the daughter of the late Charles Edward and Helen Kirkbride (Strait) Parker.

Brenda was a graduate of Weston High School class of 1971 and then went on to attend and graduate from Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania in 1975 with a B.A. in English. She worked for several insurance agencies including Aronson Insurance Agency in Newton Centre, R.I. Tennant Insurance Agency in Newton and Towne Insurance Agency in Agawam, Massachusetts.

Brenda was the devoted wife of 41 years to David Mackenzie Nelson of Reading. She was the cherished sister of Steven E. Parker of Lewes, DE, Jeffrey B. Parker of Sarasota FL, Roger B. Parker and his wife Lisa of Saco, ME, and Kenneth J. Parker and his wife Marybeth of Bolton. Loving aunt of Ryan B. Parker and Austin K. Parker of Saco, ME; Colin S. Parker and Caitlin A. Parker of Bolton.

A visitation will be held at the Douglass, Edgerley and Bessom Funeral Home 25 Sanborn St. (corner of Woburn St.) Reading on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, from 10-11am followed by a funeral service at 11am. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Brenda's memory to RBC Ministries P.O. Box 2222, Grand Rapids, MI 49501-2222. For directions and on line guest book visit www.johnbdouglassfuneralhome.com.

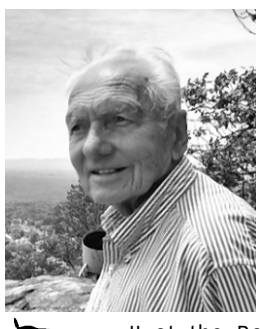
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Rabe, Richard

Richard Rabe of Willington/Ashford and formerly of Vernon passed away peacefully Sunday, May 22nd with his family at his side. Richard is survived by his wife of 42 years, Karen Doyon Rabe; his daughters Erica Rabe and her wife Amy Palazzola of East Hampton, CT, Emily Knapp and her husband Andrew of Watertown, MA and their son Walter, and Allison Mishriky and her husband Michael of Marlborough, CT and their son Charlie. He is also survived by his sister Suzanne Stecko and her husband Thomas of Westport, CT and their children Stacey Gorman and her husband Kevin and daughters Waverly and Reagan, and Taylor Stecko and his wife Kate of NYC; his brother Stephen Rabe and his wife Genice of Salem, OR and their daughter Elizabeth Woodard and her husband Eric and children Emma and Ethan; his mother-n-law Charlotte Doyon of Vernon, CT; his sister-in-law Patricia Chotiner of FL and her partner Seth Goldstein and Patricia's children Mara and Matt and great nephew Remi, Mara's son; brother-in-law John Doyon of Enfield, CT, Gary Doyon and his wife Peri of Manchester, CT and Gary's children Andrew, Nick, and Moriah and her fiancé Brian Beckerman; and his cousin Kathy Rabe of Vernon, CT. He was predeceased by his parents Rene E. Rabe and Genevieve D. Rabe.
Rich was an avid sports fan of the Red Sox, the Giants, the Patriots, and all things UConn. He golfed in a weekly league with great guys and loved to fish. He thought having three daughters he'd be on the links or fishing all the time but ended up coaching all his daughters in softball or basketball and attending all their school games. He enjoyed skiing and the outdoors and working in the yard. He worked hard all his life as a General Contractor and had many wonderful business associates throughout the years. Rich and Karen were lucky enough to travel and see parts of the USA and travel to Brazil, Ireland, Paris and some islands. His favorite place though was Lake George, NY.
Calling hours are June 1st from 4-7 p.m. at the Tolland Memorial Funeral Home, 375 Merrow Rd., (Rte 195) Tolland, CT and a Mass of Christian burial will be June 2nd 10:00 a.m. at St. Philip Church Rte 44 in Ashford, CT. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to your favorite charity in his name. For online condolences please visit: www.pietrasfuneralhome.com

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Scovill, Sr., James Lawrence "Larry"



James Lawrence "Larry" Scovill, Sr., 100, of Middletown passed away on May 20, 2022 at Middlesex Hospital. Born in Middletown, he was the son of the late John and Georgiana (Lord) Scovill.
Larry lived in Middletown and Cromwell throughout his life. He was a veteran of the United States Army serving during World War II at the Battle of the Bulge. Larry was employed at Connecticut State Hospital for twenty-five years, Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Manufacturing for nine years and at his sons business, Scovill Landscaping & Garden Center for many years. He loved gardening, dancing, watching the birds and joking around. Larry was a member of Higganum United Methodist Church.
Larry is survived by two sons, Arthur Scovill and his wife Sue of Higganum and James L. Scovill, Jr. and his wife Patricia of Cromwell; two daughters, Charlotte Pettersen and her partner John Perry of Higganum and Georgianna Duffy and her husband Shane of Colchester; nine grandchildren, ten great grandchildren, two great great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.
Along with his parents, Larry was predeceased by two wives, Arline (Tuller) Scovill and Helen (Dudley) Scovill; four brothers, Talcott, Fred, Ronald, and John and three sisters, Olive Larson, Doris Clark and Bernice Pettersen.
Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, June 1st at 11:00 am at Doolittle Funeral Home, 14 Old Church Street, Middletown. Burial will follow in Pine Grove Cemetery where full military honors will be accorded. Family and friends may call Wednesday morning from 10:00 to 11:00 am before the service. Per the family's request, masks are required for all services. In lieu of flowers, donations in Larry's memory may be made to Higganum United Methodist Church, 248 Saybrook Road, Higganum, CT 06411 or Middlesex Hospital Hospice Unit, 28 Crescent Street, Middletown, CT 06457. To share memories or send condolences to the family, please visit www.doolittlefuneralservice.com.

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Cote, Raymond A.

Raymond A. Cote passed away peacefully on May 22, 2022 at age 87. Born in Canada on April 16, 1935, son of the late Arthur and Yvonne (Tessel) Cote, Raymond has been a Hartford resident since 1962. He was a member of the United Methodist Church.
Raymond is predeceased by his brothers and sisters Gabrielle (Fernand Charest), Royal (Lise Cote), Gracia (Robert Gagne), Rita (Fabien Provencher), Yvette (Raymond Asselin), Jeannette (Conrad Bernier, Ronald (Carmen Fortier) and his life partner Kathy.
He is survived by many nephews, nieces and good friends.
Relatives and friends are invited to Raymond's graveside service on Saturday, June 4th at 10:00 a.m. at Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill. To share a condolence with his family, please visit www.duksa.net.

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Bennett, Rosalie (Allen)



Rosalie Bennett, 82, of Simsbury, CT and Mt. Dora, FL died peacefully surrounded by her family on May 20, 2022 after more than ten years living with Alzheimer's. Born February 25, 1940, Rosalie was raised by parents George R. Allen, Sr and Elizabeth "Betty" Allen in Pittsfield, MA before attending the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and Johns Hopkins School of Nursing.

For decades she volunteered for and supported the Visiting Nurse Association, the Public Library, Hospice and the United Methodist Church. Rosalie's most ardent interests were a lifelong passion for reading and learning; travel, language and world culture; gourmet cooking, fine needlework and sewing; exercising at the Y; spending time with her dogs; hosting and socializing with dear friends and extended family; playing Bridge, Scrabble and Uno; and social justice, advocacy, voting and politics.

Rosalie is predeceased by Edward N. Bennett her husband of 58 years until his death in 2018. She is survived by her daughters Bina Gabbriel (nee Julie M. Bennett) and Laurie B. Nair, son-in-law Dilip Nair, grandchildren Jayan T. Nair and Shaanthi C. Nair, siblings and their spouses George "Bobby" Allen, Jr and Lillian Allen, Marilee C. Allen and Robert Schiffman, Michael Allen and Lisa Allen, nieces and nephews and numerous beloved longtime friends.

A private family memorial will be held jointly for Rosalie & Ed in June. Memorial contributions may be made to Farmington Valley Visiting Nurse Association, 8 Old Mill Lane, Simsbury, CT 06070, (860) 651-3539, farmingtonvalleyvna.org

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McKone, Roderic King



Roderic King McKone, 69, of Hartford, passed away peacefully on May 21, 2022, at Hartford Hospital of natural causes. Rod was the caring and loving son of Alice (O'Malley) and Robert T. McKone of Simsbury. Rod was born in Hartford on March 15, 1953. He lived in Hartford all his life. He had a great childhood growing up in Hartford's West End. Rod joined the U.S. Army after graduating from Hartford Public High School, Class of 1971. He started his printing career at the Hartford Courant, following in his father's footsteps. After, he was a printer at Liturgical Publications in Cromwell for more than 30 years, until his retirement. Rod loved the outdoors, canoeing on the Colebrook Reservoir, tubing down the Farmington River and hiking with friends, family and his loyal canine, Buddy. He loved working in his yard and was popular with his neighbors.
Besides his parents, Rod leaves his brother, Tom McKone of Montpelier, VT; his sister, Linda McKone of Old Saybrook; his brother and sister-in-law, Larry and Carol McKone of Torrington; his sister and brother-in-law, Diane and Daniel Tinkham of Gilford, NH; many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews who loved their Uncle Rod; and a couple dozen cousins, many of whom called him "Roddy". Rod was predeceased by his fiancée, Joanne Bernier. He will be missed dearly.
Memorial Contributions in Rod's memory can be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of CT, 101 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 107, Middletown, CT 06457. Online condolences may be made at www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com.

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Krompegal, Frederick E.



Frederick Earle Krompegal (Rick), 65, of Avon, died Monday, May 23, 2022 at Hartford Hospital while surrounded by the love of his family. He was born July 27, 1956 in Hartford, the beloved son of Frederick Paul and Shirley (Carter) Krompegal of Canton. He was a graduate of Canton High School, Class of 1974. Fred was a Construction Manager, having worked at Aspinet, Pike, Carabetta and Arcadis. Fred was a member of St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Avon. He had an extremely generous heart and loved doing things for others. He enjoyed woodworking, spending time outdoors, hunting and fishing. He was an avid NASCAR fan. He also enjoyed spending time in his garden and planting flowers. Fred always had a German Shepherd by his side with his last "buddy" being Mollie.
In addition to his parents, Fred leaves his sisters, Mary Wooten and husband Gary of Miramar Beach, Florida and Sheila Jarka and husband Tim of Canton; his uncle Richard Krompegal of Newington, his nieces, Melissa DeJean and Emily and Katherine Jarka. He also leaves his great nieces Vivian, Genevieve, Aveline and Violet DeJean. He was predeceased by an infant daughter, Julianna Krompegal. The family would like to thank all who have supported us all over the past few years as well as the wonderful staff at Hartford Hospital (Bliss 7, 10 and 11), Dr. Eric W. Silverstein DPM and Dr. Timothy Curley DO.
Calling hours will be held on Thursday, June 2nd from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Vincent Funeral Home, 120 Albany Turnpike in Canton. A memorial service will be celebrated at 11:00 AM on Friday, June 3rd at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 224 Lovely Street in Avon. Private burial will be in Village Cemetery in Collinsville. Donations in his memory may be made to either the American Diabetes Association or the National Kidney Foundation. Please visit Rick's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Selig, M.D., Kenneth M.



Dr. Kenneth Mishara Selig, 71, passed away peacefully at his home in South Glastonbury, CT on May 25, 2022 filled with the love from the three most important people in his life – wife Kim Marie Selig, daughter Amanda Bacon, and son Brian Selig. He is also survived by his son-in-law Matt Bacon, daughter-in-law Courtney Selig, and four grandchildren, Adam and Jake Selig and Will and Annelise Bacon, as well as his spouse of 34 years, Colleen Farrell, his stepson Justin Ebb, and his cousin Beth Fishman. He joins in eternal peace his mother, Marilyn Mishara Seligman, step father Leonard Seligman, and father Robert Selig, as well as his grandfather Irving and grandmother Lilian ("Gram") Mishara, who, as an RN, encouraged Ken to attend medical school, his cousin and best friend growing up, Glenn Fishman, and his uncle Elliot Mishara and aunt Irma Fishman. For the full obituary, please visit FarleySullivan.com

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DesRosier, Cynthia Sweeney



Cynthia Sweeney DesRosier, 65, went home to the Lord on May 25, 2022 after walking with Him on her journey through ovarian cancer. Born in Hartford, CT to James "Marty" and Mary (Deveneau) Sweeney, she leaves behind her beloved husband of 42 years, Dean, her children, Jeff and Alyssa DesRosier, Jackie DesRosier and Mark De Los Reyes, her siblings, Mary and Frank Sena, Rita- Ann and Brent Owen, Dawn and Joe Costanzo, Scot and Karren DesRosier, many nieces and nephews and all of her former "kids" from over 35 years at Martin Kellogg Middle School.

The visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 31st from 6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m. at The Glastonbury Boat House, 252 Welles St., Glastonbury, CT 06033 and the funeral will be held on Wednesday, June 1st at 10 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Church, 280 Brook Street, Rocky Hill, CT. Burial will be private. Donations in Cyndi's memory may be made to Global Arts Los Angeles, Jackie's nonprofit that brings music instruction to underserved children. https://www.globalartsco.org

To honor Cyndi's wishes, masks will be required at both the wake and funeral.

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Foster, Janet E. (Parlee)



Janet E. (Parlee) Foster, 88, of Canton, wife of the late Eugene R. Foster, Sr., died Thursday, May 19, 2022 at her home. She was born July 20, 1933 in Hartford, daughter of the late Elton Medley and Marion Grace (Ray) Parlee and had lived in Canton for over 50 years. She was a member of DAR Phoebe Humphrey Chapter in Canton (now merged with the Simsbury Abigail Phelps Chapter), was a lover of animals, enjoyed traveling and loved baking.

She is survived by her children, Janet Jainchill and husband Steve of West Simsbury, Susan Foster of Canton, Eugene R. Foster, Jr. and wife Kim of West Simsbury, Robin R. Delos and husband Dan of Canton and Kyle Foster of Torrington; her grandchildren, Marion, Michael and Victoria Jainchill, Ryan, Miranda, Sean and Kayla Foster and Kylie, Daniel II, Katelyn and Keira Delos and her great grandchildren, Connor Foster and Lennon and Emerson Ouelette. She was predeceased by her brother, Kenneth E. Parlee.

There are no calling hours and services will be private. Donations in her memory may be made to the Canton Volunteer Fire and EMS, P.O. Box 168, Collinsville, CT 06022. The Vincent Funeral Home of Canton is caring for the arrangements. Please visit Janet's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Viering, Keith E.



Keith Eaton Viering, 68, of Barkhamsted, peacefully passed away Friday, May 20, 2022, at John Dempsey Hospital. He was born January 13, 1954 in Hartford, son of the late Donald Joseph and Marie (Eaton) Viering. He was a lifelong resident of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School, where he returned to volunteer for the Booster Club. He was an active member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Collinsville where he assisted during services at the altar in various roles, and served on the Vestry, and several other committees. He was a former member of the Collinsville Volunteer Fire Department, an avid sports fan, and enjoyed spending time with his friends and family at his cottage on West Hill.

He was predeceased by his wife Susan (Belliveau) Viering and son Alan. He is survived by his son, Kevin and wife Jennifer, his grandchildren, Keegan and Maddox; his sisters, Donna Viering; Linda (Steve) Burgess; and brother, Don (Emily) Viering and several loving nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to Trinity Episcopal Church, 55 River Road (PO Box 374) Collinsville, CT 06022, where a memorial service will be on Sunday, June 12, 2022, at 2PM. Please visit Keith's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Cordier, Marion A.



Marion Adeline Cordier, 97, of East Hartford passed away peacefully on May 25, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Leo Cordier, Marion will always be remembered as the matriarch of the family. She was a spirited, kind-hearted and nurturing individual who adored her husband and five children. She was not averse to living in their shadows and behind the scenes as a tender, limitless and ceaseless family support system. Marion was also dedicated to her community, as demonstrated through her exemplary service as President of the East Hartford Women's Club during the sixties. She was a devout Catholic and a communicant of St. Christopher's Church and St. Rose Church in East Hartford. She found great joy for many years as an active member of the St. Rose Church Choir. Marion will be deeply missed by her beloved sons Robert and wife Joan of Willington, Ronald and wife Katherine of Westerly, RI, James and wife Joan of Hebron, and Thomas and wife Jennifer of Tolland. Marion also leaves behind seven adored grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by her eldest son Richard and grandson Michael. A period of visitation will be held on May 31, 2022 at Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home, 318 Burnside Ave, East Hartford from 11:00am-12:00pm. A funeral home prayer service will follow at 12:00pm. Interment services will be private. For an online memorial, please visit www.NewkirkAndWhitney.com

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Coleman, Joseph E.

Joseph Edward Coleman, 93, of Canton, went home to be with his Lord on May, 28, 2022. Before moving to Canton, he lived in Sunapee, NH for 16 years and prior to that Simsbury, CT, Union, NJ, and Selma, AL.

Joe was born July 4, 1928 in Franklin, NJ. Upon graduating high school, he enlisted, first in the Army for a few months and then the Air Force where he served for 9 years as a firefighter and clerk, achieving the rank of Tech Sergeant. While living in Simsbury, Joe served in the Simsbury Volunteer Fire Department for many years, and was also very active in his church, both in CT and NH. A 32o Freemason, he attended Lodge in both states. Dad always enjoyed eating a home cooked meal and reading military themed novels.

Joe leaves his two daughters, Gail Drake and her husband Dennis of Windsor Locks and Linda Scarchuk and her husband, Michael of Canton. He also leaves four grandchildren, Vicki Barry (Patrick), Heather Dittmar (Michael), Michael Scarchuk and Evan Drake, and three great-grandchildren, Danica, Ashton and Savannah.

Joe is predeceased by his parents William A Coleman and Clara B Walters, his wife of 55 years, Betty Coleman, and his brother, William "Bill" Coleman.

The family will celebrate his life in private. Donations can be made in his name to The Canton Volunteer Fire and EMS, P.O. Box 168, Collinsville, CT 06022.

Thank you to Avon Health Center for the wonderful and compassionate care he received in the short time he was a resident there. The Vincent Funeral Home of Canton is caring for the arrangements. Please visit Joe's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Krahl, Frederic "Ric"

Wednesday, May 25, 2022, Frederic (Ric) Krahl, loving husband, and devoted father of two, passed away at the age of 71. Ric was the only child of Fredrick and Mary Elizabeth Krahl. He grew up in Simsbury on Firetown Rd and graduated from Simsbury High in 1969. He married his wife, Dee Ann Scarborough and moved to Granby. While in Granby he had a daughter Elizabeth and son Jonathan. Ric and family later moved back to Simsbury and lived out the remainder of his life on Fox Den Rd. He leaves behind his wife Dee Ann of 47 years, his daughter Elizabeth with her twin girls Eleanor and Mairin along with his son Jonathan.

Ric always had a passion for fast cars and drag racing. His love for the sport allowed Ric to touch many people's lives and make long lasting friends. When Ric wasn't at the racetrack, he was on a boat fishing with his children or working on their home.

Ric was known for his quick wit, his infectious smile, and his kind and compassionate spirit. Ric loved life and lived each day to the fullest. Whether he was at the racetrack, fishing, or spending time with those he loved, he brought joy and laughter to everyone around him. Ric left a piece of him with all of us!

Ric left us knowing that he could walk into a room and put a smile on everyone's face, a life well lived indeed! Ric will be missed but never forgotten.

Visitation will be held at the Vincent Funeral Home, 880 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury on Saturday, June 4th from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM followed by a Celebration of Ric's wonderful life at The Maple Tree Café, 781 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury, from 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm.

Please visit Ric's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Hobbs, Ernest "Joe" John



Ernest "Joe" John Hobbs, 96, of Granby, passed away peacefully in his home on May 1, 2022. He was born in England on May 30, 1925, to the late Joseph and Helen Hobbs. Joe lived in England for many years and Canada for two years before immigrating to the United States and settling in Granby, CT in 1966. Joe retired from Pratt & Whitney after many dedicated years of service as an engineer. He was primarily responsible for developing and designing jet engine parts for Boeing airplanes. He and his wife Betty enjoyed taking trips together around New England. He loved listening to his expansive big band record collection, making his famous cuppa tea and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He is survived by his son, Philip Hobbs and his wife Esta of California; a daughter, Ann Boardman of Westfield, MA; a son-in-law, Mark Boardman of Granville, MA; four grandchildren: Lt. Col. in the US Army Alexandra Hobbs and her twin sister Natalie Nagle, Kate and David Boardman; and three great-grandchildren. Joe was predeceased by his wife of 70 years Elizabeth "Betty" Joyce Hobbs who passed away on November 5, 2020. He will be remembered for his infectious positivity, witty jokes, British charm and loving heart. For condolences, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Abramek, Teresa Maria



Teresa Maria (Socha) Abramek, 92, of Middletown, beloved wife of the late Jozef Abramek, peacefully passed away on May 22, 2022, at Middlesex Hospital with her family at her side. She was born in Brzyska Wola, Poland, on December 13th, 1929, daughter of the late Michal and Anna (Staron) Socha. She moved to the United States in 1989, and lived in Hartford, New Britain, and Middletown, CT. Teresa retired from Corporate Maintenance Services in 1999. She was very religious, hardworking, and caring. As a dedicated cook, Teresa regularly delivered her unmatchable pierogis to the local parish in Hartford, and she always made sure nobody left her home hungry. Teresa loved to travel, and the most memorable was her visit to Jerusalem, Israel. As an avid farmer, Teresa also enjoyed outdoors, and with her daughter Anna, she visited many interesting destinations such as Niagara Falls, Ausable Chasm, Moosehead Lake, Franconia Notch, Mount Washington, and Baxter State Park. Recently, she enjoyed short trips to local beaches and orchards, and sunny days she spent in Anna's garden. Her biggest pride was her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is survived by her daughter Anna Karpinski and her husband Bogdan of Middletown; her son Grzegorz Abramek and his wife Barbara of New Britain; her daughter Zofia Wesolowska of Newington; her daughter Stanislawa Krasowska and her husband Tadeusz of Wesola, Poland; her daughter Janina Gromadzka and her husband Zbigniew of Gliwice, Poland; her daughter Maria Pedziwiatr and her husband Eugeniusz of Jelenia Gora, Poland; her grandchildren - Jaroslaw Pedziwiatr, Andrzej Polanski, Marta Koposova, Magdalena Kuzniar, Arkadiusz Krasowski, Tomasz Krasowski, Maciej Wesolowski, Wojciech Wesolowski, Bartosz Wesolowski, Pawel Abramek, Joanna Pogonski, Kamil Abramek, Beata Abramek, Nicole Hernandez, and Josef Karpinski; her great grandchildren - Adam Pedziwiatr, Aleksandra Pedziwiatr, Michal Polanski, Paulina Polanski, Katerina Koposova, Piotr Koposov, Andrey Koposov, Tymoteusz Kuzniar, Maksymilian Kuzniar, Maria Kuzniar, Alicja Krasowska, Michal Krasowski, Wiktoria Krasowska, Nataniel Krasowski, Lilianna Krasowska, Natalia Wesolowski, Bart Wesolowski, Mikolaj Wesolowski, David Abramek, Hanna Abramek, Emma Pogonski, and Noah Pogonski; her great-great grandson Nikodem Polanski. She is also survived by her brother Stanislaw Socha and her sister-in-law Maria Socha of Newington. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was predeceased by her sister, Maria Wilkos, her bother-in-law, Jozef Wilkos, and her son-in-law Bogumil Wesolowski. Teresa's family would like to express their deepest gratitude to Middlesex Hospital Hospice Unit personnel for their exceptional care and assistance during the last few days of her beautiful life. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, June 1st, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Cross Church, New Britain. She will be laid to rest in Sacred Heart Cemetery immediately following. In lieu of flowers, those who wish, may send memorial donations to the Middlesex Hospital Hospice Unit, 28 Crescent Street, Middletown, CT 06457. The Duksa Family Funeral Home at Burritt Hill, New Britain is assisting the family. To share a message of sympathy with her family, please, visit www.duksa.net.

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Graney, Robert P



With heavy hearts we announce the passing of Robert Paul Graney, 78, on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at the Hebrew Center in West Hartford. Robert was born in Manchester, New Hampshire on June 28, 1943. He was predeceased by his parents Elsie and Thomas Graney, brothers, Tom, Francis, James, and sisters, Maureen and Kathy. He is survived by his children, Todd, Brant, Lance, Rob, Heather, Chris and Patrick, his dear sister, Margaret Arcari (Tom). He also leaves his beloved Mary Ann Blanc and her daughter, Laura, as well as many grandchildren, nieces and nephews. In addition to being a proud Dad, Robert was a talented clothier and business owner. He was considered by many as "the maven" when he attended shows in New York City. His window displays were creative works of art. Robert's faith ran deep and he served as a Eucharistic minister for many years. The family would like to extend a sincere thank you to the nursing staff at the Hebrew Center for their care of Robert over the last few years. A special thank you to Laura from Hospice for her heartfelt care. In honor of Robert's wishes there will be no calling hours. Mass will be at St. Patrick's Church, 110 Main St, Farmington on Saturday, June 4, 2022, at 12:00pm. Burial to immediately follow at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Farmington Avenue, Plainville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Lung Association. To leave an online expression of sympathy for Robert's family please visit www.Bailey-funeralhome.com.

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Meize, Nell (Ausanka)



Beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Nell Ausanka Meize, 98, died peacefully in her sleep on September 28, 2020. A longtime resident of Farmington, New Mexico, Nell spent most of her last 14 years living with one of her daughters, either in Omaha, NE, or Albuquerque, NM.

The youngest of four children, Nell was born at home on May 28, 1922, in New Britain, CT, to Lithuanian immigrant parents, Anthony and Mary (Lesevicius) Ausanka. In addition to her parents, Nell was predeceased by her husband, Robert (Bob) Miezlaiskis Meize, brothers Algert (Frank) and Joseph Ausanka, sister Anne Matulis, and nephew James Matulis. Nell graduated from New Britain High School in 1939 and then Moody's Business School in New Britain. She subsequently worked as a professional secretary in a variety of business and service-oriented settings.

In December 1949, Nell married Bob Meize at St. Andrew Catholic Church in New Britain, CT. After a honeymoon in New York City, they moved to Golden, CO, so Bob could complete his petroleum engineering degree from Colorado School of Mines. Nell worked for the USGS while Bob attended classes, and she fed many a Mines student during that time. Nell and Bob lived in Oklahoma and Texas, and started a family before settling down in Farmington, New Mexico. Nell was content being a homemaker and mom, but Bob died suddenly in 1962, leaving her to raise their three young children on her own. She returned to the work force as the secretary in the Farmington (NM) Police Department Detective Division, Animas Power Plant, and Farmington (NM) Public Schools (Tibbetts Junior High and then Heights Junior High), where she was employed for 22 years before retiring in 1987. Retirement kept Nell busy as a volunteer for the Women's Auxiliary at San Juan Hospital, member of the San Juan College Cosmetology Program Board, attending daily Mass when possible, and traveling abroad with dear childhood friend, Carolyn (Recknagel) Blair. In their travels, Carolyn always said, "Nell has never met a stranger." A 33 year breast cancer survivor, Nell volunteered for Reach for Recovery in her post-retirement years. Nell found much joy in planning and preparing meals and fed many friends and family over the years. She was an engaging hostess with an unforgettable smile.

Nell loved her family and friends, and she cherished the time she spent with them. She is greatly missed by all those who knew her. Nell is survived by daughter Vicki Ruhsam and husband Von of Omaha, NE; daughter Robin Meize-Grochowski and husband Dan Grochowski of Albuquerque, NM; and son Bob Meize and wife Sherry of Magnolia, TX. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren: granddaughter Leah (Matt) Harms of Lincoln, NE, and great-granddaughters Ella, Kate, and Indi, and great-grandson Wes born in 2021; granddaughter Heidi (Ryan) Gratopp of Lincoln, NE, and great-granddaughters Charlotte and Quinn; grandson Mark Ruhsam of Omaha, NE; granddaughter Alison (Matt) Stewart of Albuquerque, NM, and great-grandsons Michael and Sebastian, and great-grandchild due Thanksgiving Day; granddaughter Molly (Luke) Crum of Austin, TX, and great-grandson Colton; granddaughter Morgan (Jake) Freiburger of Ponca City, OK, and great-grandson Hudson born in 2022; grandson Alex (Ally) Meize of Magnolia, TX; and grandson Billy (Tammy) Clayburn of Magnolia, TX, and their children and grandchildren; five nieces, two nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and friends of all ages, all of whom she loved dearly.

Nell had a tremendous love for the Lord, and her Catholic faith meant everything to her. It seems fitting that she peacefully went home to be with Jesus while staying in an assisted care home called Touched by a White Dove in Albuquerque. She was lovingly cared for there by Carmen and Curtis Hudson. Nell's family is thankful for the excellent care from Carmen and Curtis, and from all her healthcare providers over the years.

A memorial Mass will be held at 10 am on Friday, June 3, 2022, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Farmington, New Mexico, followed by placement of Nell's ashes at the Sacred Heart Memorial Garden, located near the Church. Father Tim Farrell will be celebrant and homilist at the Memorial Mass. Friends are invited to the Mass and to a dessert reception in the Sacred Heart Parish Center, immediately following prayers at the columbarium.

You may contact the family at nell.meize@gmail.com

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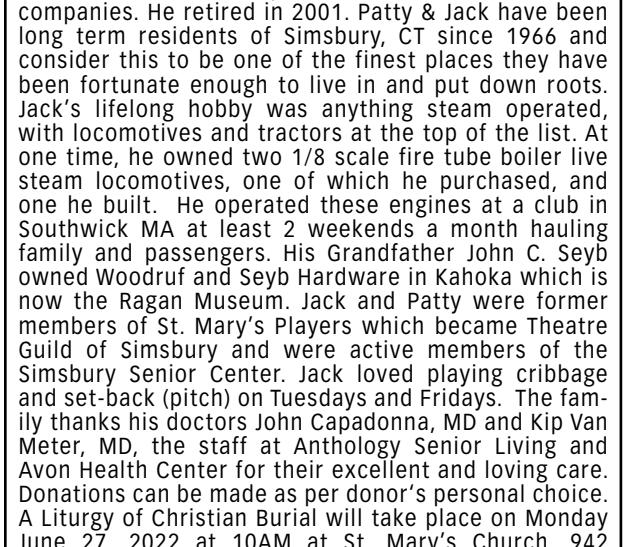
Voorvaart, John Henry



John Henry Voorvaart (91) of Simsbury, CT and otherwise known as Jack by his friends, peacefully passed on May 19, 2022. Jack was born at home in Kahoka MO to Lizzetta Seyb Voorvaart and Henry G. Voorvaart. He was preceded in death by his sisters Mary Murphy of Phoenix AZ and Martha Lowry of Pittsfield IL, by first son Henry (Sharon) in early 2020 and his second daughter Rosemarie in late 2015. He is survived by his wife of 68 years Patricia, two sons, Peter (Darla) of Windsor Locks CT and William (Christina) of Coventry CT and two daughters Lisa of Granby, CT and Tara Derouen (Michael) of Summerville SC, one nephew Michael Murphy of Dallas TX, nieces Marcia Murphy also of Dallas TX, Vicki Harshman of Pittsfield IL, Joyce Rice of Shell Rock IA , and Sandy Holmes of Bellbrooke OH, nine grandchildren (Andrew Laplante, Chelsea Voorvaart, Rachael Johnson, Amanda Voorvaart, Tucker Voorvaart, Bailey Voorvaart, Burton Koch, Elizabeth Koch, Lindsay Combs) and many great-grandchildren (most notably Jacob Johnson & Railynn Johnson), a Brother-in Law Walt Lowry who was like his big brother, and dear family friends/almost children, Jennifer Frank of East Granby CT, Kenneth More (Mary Ellen) of Agawam, MA and Carol Reilly (Tom) and their children Katie and Alex of Southington CT. After graduation from Kahoka High School in 1948, Jack enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served until 1953. He was an Aviation Electrician's Mate and achieved the rate of Petty Officer Second Class (E5). Jack had flying status as a radar operator in an Anti-Submarine Squadron out of NAS Norfolk, VA and flew off several different types of Aircraft Carriers, the smallest of which were CVEs with only 500 ft flight decks, and the largest were the Midway Class. This he considered the most exciting and enjoyable time of his life. Upon his discharge from the USN, he attended Ohio State University in Columbus, OH and obtained a BS degree in Geology. His career however took him elsewhere, and he moved into sales. He started his own business as a Fire Protection firm and Manufacturer's Representative for several alarm companies. He retired in 2001. Patty & Jack have been long term residents of Simsbury, CT since 1966 and consider this to be one of the finest places they have been fortunate enough to live in and put down roots. Jack's lifelong hobby was anything steam operated, with locomotives and tractors at the top of the list. At one time, he owned two 1/8 scale fire tube boiler live steam locomotives, one of which he purchased, and one he built. He operated these engines at a club in Southwick MA at least 2 weekends a month hauling family and passengers. His Grandfather John C. Seyb owned Woodruf and Seyb Hardware in Kahoka which is now the Ragan Museum. Jack and Patty were former members of St. Mary's Players which became Theatre Guild of Simsbury and were active members of the Simsbury Senior Center. Jack loved playing cribbage and set-back (pitch) on Tuesdays and Fridays. The family thanks his doctors John Capadonna, MD and Kip Van Meter, MD, the staff at Anthology Senior Living and Avon Health Center for their excellent and loving care. Donations can be made as per donor's personal choice. A Liturgy of Christian Burial will take place on Monday June 27, 2022 at 10AM at St. Mary's Church, 942 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT 06070. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family. Hayes-Huling & Carmon Funeral Home of Granby has care of the arrangements. For condolences please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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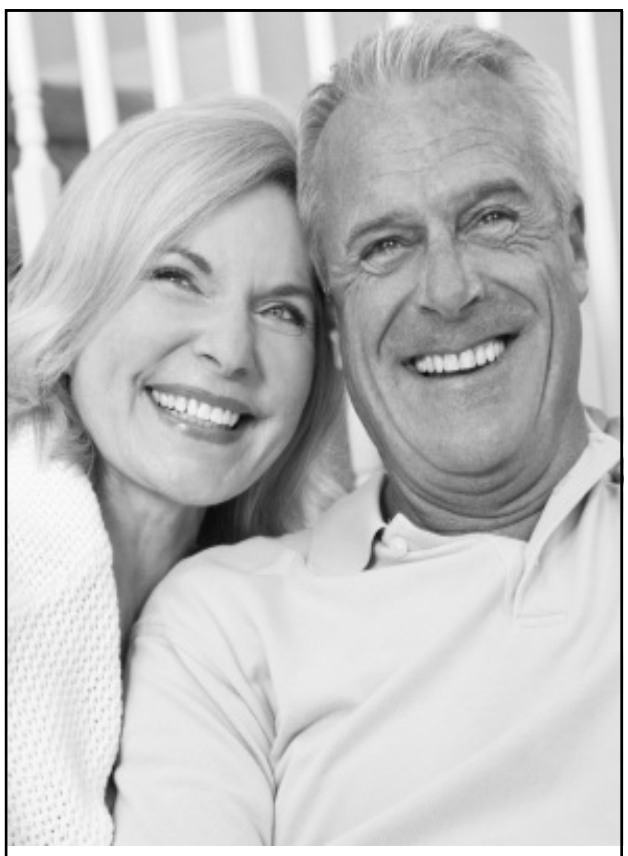


Gilbert, Theodis



Theodis Gilbert passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family and friends on May 25, 2022 at the age of 78. He is survived by his children, Katrina Gilbert, Patrice Gilbert, Christina Cocchiola, Dale Robinson, Donald Gilbert and Ronald Gilbert. His grandchildren, Dana Lowe, Christopher Relerford, Autumn Anderson, Alexandra Gilbert, Crystal Relerford, Austin Saenz, Montreal Robinson, Kharyce Cheatham, Khandyce Gilbert, Dylan Gilbert, Devyn Gilbert, Laura Valdez, Serena Gilbert, Ashley Gilbert, Chelsea Gilbert and Brandon Gilbert. A brother, Dr. Leroy Gilbert, Ph.D., nieces and nephews, other relatives as well as cherished friends. A longtime resident of Hartford, born August 3, 1943 in Shellman,GA, he was hardworking and an experienced handyman. He loved to fish and enjoyed being outdoors working, especially lawn care. He will be forever missed and always in our hearts. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the American Cancer Society.

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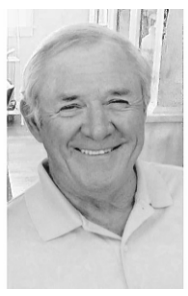
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Just, William "Bill" Phillip



South Deerfield, MA—William "Bill" Phillip Just, 75, died on Saturday, May 21, 2022, after courageously battling lung, kidney, and heart disease.

He was born on October 8, 1946, in New Britain, CT, a son of the late Georgia (Phillips) Just and Leon Just. He attended Catholic elementary and middle schools and graduated from New Britain High School, where he played football.

Bill enlisted in the Army in 1965 and served in Vietnam from 1966 to 1967 as a helicopter mechanic. He joined the Hartford Police Department in 1969, serving until 1978 as a patrolman, then a detective, a sergeant, and, eventually, an executive officer of one of Hartford's five districts.

While a police officer, he met his beloved wife and best friend of 53 years, Mary-Ellen Metzner, who was an ICU nurse at Hartford Hospital. She gave birth to their identical twins, Kate and Sara, in 1974. Bill and Mary-Ellen adopted their son, Billy, in 1979; at the time, Bill was the director of security and safety at Westfield State University. While in this position, he earned a bachelor's degree in sociology.

In 1982, Bill and his family moved to Simsbury, CT, and he pivoted to a joyful career as a travel agent. He owned and operated Globe Travel Service of West Hartford, CT, planning trips all over the world for his clients, until retiring in 2001. He and his wife were passionate about travel and explored or adventured on every continent except Antarctica. In retirement, he also wrote two unpublished novels, "The Bad Place" and "Lotto," about his time in Vietnam and, later, as a homicide detective. He read "The New York Times" every day.

Bill and his wife lived largely in western Massachusetts for the last 15 years, to be closer to their grandchildren. He loved golf, mowing the lawn, his bichons frisés (Alfie, Macy, and Dolly), boating on a party barge, singing along to Elvis Presley and Willie Nelson tunes, fishing, grilling, and doting on his family and friends. When one of his grandchildren was born with clubfoot and treated at Shriners Hospital, he joined the order of Freemasons. Not only did he volunteer to drive kids to Shriners appointments, he also became a licensed school bus driver for a time.

He popularized many hilarious phrases in his family related to feeding people, asking them if they wanted a "slab" of cake, a glass of "paint" (eggnog), or "dead chicken," and daring people to fit large cupcakes or cookies in their mouth. He also filled mouths with whipped cream at holidays, topped pancakes with maraschino cherries and way too much syrup, and made sure there was New York Super Fudge Chunk in the freezer for those who liked it.

To help out family and friends, he babysat kids, painted houses, sanded floors, fixed broken mailboxes, and delivered chicken soup. He may or may not have lit contraband fireworks in his backyard every Fourth of July, entertaining the whole neighborhood.

Bill's wife (whom he affectionately referred to as Pookie) received countless bouquets of flowers from him, along with piles of Hallmark cards with loving messages (always signed "Forever, Bill") and boxes of jewelry and chocolates.

When Mary-Ellen went back to school to earn her master's degree and move into medical management, Bill scaled back his own work, cooked dinner for the family every night, and cheered her on. They stood staunchly united as parents. In their empty nest years, they spent winters together in Hilton Head, SC, on the golf course, drinking Diet Cokes and enjoying each other's company. When Mary-Ellen moved into caretaking for Bill in the last five years and began performing every-other-day hemodialysis treatment in their home, he thanked her daily for "saving my life." Theirs was a marriage for the ages, and anyone who witnessed their love was in awe. His daughters were lucky to be loved by a father who coached their sports teams, wrote them wildly humorous letters from "Santa" at the holidays, took them shopping, gave tearful toasts at both of their weddings, celebrated their accomplishments, built them up, and loved their wives as if they were his own children. His last words to his children were "I love you" and "Does your car need new tires?"

As a grandfather, Bill was unsurpassed. He handed out hugs, $20 bills, doughnuts, and car rides. He cried at school events, took his grandchildren to the movies, and climbed flights of stairs at the Great Wolf Lodge water park weeks before a knee replacement to go down the "Howlin' Tornado" ride. They loved their Papa, who told them jokes, debated politics with them, and taught them the rules of blackjack. In return, they taught him how to use they/them pronouns in old age.

Everyone who knew and loved Bill Just will remember him as "the best of the best." He was an angel on earth who listened more than he talked and made everyone feel like the most important person in the room.

He is predeceased by his beloved son and lifelong skiing and fishing buddy, William Phillip Just, Jr., who died of an overdose in 2001. This tragedy deeply affected Bill, but he turned his grief around by loving those in his family more fiercely than ever before.

He is survived by his wife, Mary-Ellen Just; his daughters, Sara Barber-Just and Kate Just; his daughters-in-law, Christina Barber-Just and Paula Russell; and his grandchildren, Henry and Jackson Barber-Just, Harper and Phil Russell Just, and Casper Sauerbrei. He also leaves his brother, Leon Just, and his wife, Trudi; his sister, Arlene Fernandez; his sister-in-law Joan Capponcelli and her husband, Pete; and many other in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

There will be a memorial service at First Congregational Church in Amherst, MA, on June 11 at 1 p.m. followed by a catered reception at the Amherst Woman's Club. All are welcome.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to causes close to Bill's heart: Shriners Children's Hospital (shrinerschildrens.org), the Wounded Warrior Project (woundedwarrior.org), the Human Rights Campaign (hrc.org), or Dakin Humane Society (dakinhumane.org).

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A woman reacts as she pays her respects Thursday at a memorial site for the victims killed in the elementary school shooting in Uvalde, Texas. **DARIO LOPEZ-MILLS/AP**

Time for action

Congress must immediately address violence prevention and gun reform

By John M. Murphy

Uvalde. Buffalo. Parkland. Newtown. Four communities forever changed by gun violence. Four communities representing a small fraction of gun violence in the United States, where more than 100 people are killed by guns every day. Four communities among the many who deserve action.

Gun violence in the United States is a public health crisis.

I witnessed first-hand the consequences of this crisis a decade ago when my community in Western Connecticut was shaken to its core by a senseless attack that took the lives of 20 young students and six educators at Sandy Hook Elementary School. Like so many, I waited to see widespread action that would prevent this terrible tragedy from repeating itself. I was disappointed.

Now, it is time for the medical community and public officials around the country to take urgent action to address gun violence as the public health crisis it is.

There is no single solution to America's gun violence problem. To truly address this crisis, we need to look at its many causes, finding both big and small solutions that work together to create meaningful change.

Imagine if we addressed gun violence with the same level of urgency as COVID-19? We could bring together public officials, leaders in the medical and business communities, educators, and community and advocacy organizations to create a comprehensive plan to stop gun violence.

This work must start at the highest levels of government, with gun violence prevention. We cannot once again stand by without taking action to prevent the tragic event in Uvalde from repeating itself, like we did with Sandy Hook. As of 2017, gun violence officially replaced car accidents as the leading cause of death in children and adolescents. I call on Congress to take immediate action on violence prevention/gun reform. We owe it to the survivors and grieving families of gun violence to stop this terrible cycle.

As with any public health crisis, we need to invest in comprehensive research to examine the problem, identify root causes and create a plan for treating and preventing it. I am heartened that last year, CDC director Rochelle Walensky reinforced the agency's focus on researching gun violence as a matter of public health.

As we focus on prevention, we must also acknowledge the impact of these tragedies on our individual and collective mental health, especially for children and adolescents. Just as students learn and practice how to react if a shooter enters their school, they should be encouraged to talk about these experiences with a trained professional. Health care providers should work with their partners in education to create these programs. At the same time, it is essential we take action to increase access to behavioral health care, so everyone — whether it's a survivor, a loved one or an individual affected by news coverage — has ongoing access to the support they need.

Health care providers have a responsibility to support this crucial work, which will save lives and make the communities we serve healthier, safer places for our patients, neighbors and families. Our hospitals and medical practices are deeply rooted in the communities we serve.

Esmeralda Bravo, 63, sheds tears while holding a photo of her granddaughter Nevaeh, one of the Robb Elementary School shooting victims, during a prayer vigil in Uvalde on Wednesday. **JAE C. HONG/AP**

We can leverage this connection to assist with research around gun violence, in addition to implementing meaningful programs to help reduce gun violence. We can then bring our work at the local levels to collaborative conversations across the health care industry, coming together to develop strategies to address the crisis.

None of this work can be done in a vacuum, and we cannot change America's culture of gun violence overnight. We can, however, take an important first step by uniting to address this public health crisis.

Together, we can save lives.

John M. Murphy is president and CEO of Nuvance Health.

Secrecy shrouds case of judge who missed years of work



Kevin Rennie

Connecticut Judge Alice Bruno has reached a deal after not working since November 2019.

Like so much in this infuriating story, it is shrouded in secrecy. The public details remain dispiriting.

The state Supreme Court appointed Inspector General Robert Devlin, a retired judge, in April to investigate Bruno, who was nominated for a judgeship in 2015 by then-Gov. Dannel P. Malloy. She will be suspended without pay while her application for a disability retirement pension is pending before the secretive Judicial Review Council. We do not know what Devlin found in his investigation.

Since Bruno's long absence began she has received more than $440,000 in salary, including three raises, plus generous benefits. There's no reason to think Bruno will have to give back any of it. George Orwell was on to something when he wrote, "The only 'ism that has justified itself is pessimism."

Bruno applied for a disability retirement in late 2020. Documents indicate that Bruno resisted the judicial administration's request that she undergo an independent medical examination. Bruno withdrew her application for a disability pension and instead requested court administrators provide her with an accommodation that would allow her to return to work.

According to documents Bruno submitted, she needs to be assigned to a courthouse with a supportive staff and dockets that involve little conflict. There is no such place. Bruno also wants a mentor. In her seventh year as a judge, Bruno by her own admission cannot perform most of the duties required of a judge.

Bruno revealed in an affidavit she submitted to the court that she continues to be hobbled by her fixation on aging grievances. She remains wounded because one colleague did not recommend her for a judgeship more than a decade ago. Bruno was debilitated when the same judge, Anna Ficeto, allegedly did not greet her when they passed in the hallways of the Waterbury courthouse. These are odd and small events to portray as paralyzing and the basis of a hefty disability pension.

No one was in a hurry to resolve the costly Bruno situation until it was exposed in this column last fall. Bruno's complaint languished before the state Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities. The state continued to pay her.

The Supreme Court scheduled a hearing on which Bruno was to appear in April to show why the high court should not suspend or remove her. The Court denied Bruno's last-minute request to be excused from attending. A few days before the hearing, Bruno again applied for a disability pension.

The public will know if Bruno is successful at winning a $120,000 a year disability pension but not why. The proceedings of the CHRO may eventually allow some public scrutiny. We do not know what the state's new inspector general found, only that he made an agreement with Bruno that the court approved and looks toothless.

The urgent question that no one in authority has addressed is how this happened. Chief Court Administrator Judge Patrick L. Carroll III should explain why

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Time for tightening ghost gun law is now

It was chilling that Gov. Ned Lamont noted that there are only two things he knows of that are less expensive now than they were six months ago: illegal guns and fentanyl.

Chilling because illegal guns and fentanyl are taking lives in the United States, the lives of adults and children. Chilling because the governor's words came the day after 21 people, including 19 children, were gunned down in a Texas elementary school.

The words put into context the ease with which these deadly items can be obtained, in an age when a Hartford teen died this year as a result of a fentanyl overdose and a Connecticut teen was recently arrested for allegedly manufacturing AR-15 rifles and other ghost guns at home.

Connecticut has faced many more fentanyl-related deaths in addition to the Hartford teen: Of the more than 1,300 fatal drug overdoses in the state in 2021, about 85% of them were fentanyl or fentanyl analog-involved deaths, according to the state health department.

But Connecticut has also been the site of a tragic school shooting that took the lives of 20 children and six adults in Sandy Hook in 2012. Memories of that day and its aftermath stay with residents here and come roaring back to the forefront when there is news of yet another massacre of children.



An ATF agent stands with homemade rifles, or "ghost guns," at an ATF field office in Glendale, California. Hartford police had seized 20 ghost guns off city streets by April this year. **JAE C. HONG/AP**

It happened in Oxford, Michigan. It happened in Parkland, Florida; Roseburg, Oregon; Washington state; Vista, California; DeKalb, Illinois, and more.

After the Sandy Hook slayings, Connecticut adopted what have been lauded as some of the strictest gun laws in the nation. Connecticut expanded the state's ban on assault weapons, expanded the circumstances requiring national criminal background checks, imposed wider regulation on long guns, banned the sale of bullet magazines containing more than 10 rounds, and more.

Yet now, after Parkland, after Robb Elementary School, there remain, according to Connecticut's governor, "so many illegal guns on the street right now."

In particular, according to the governor, as well as numerous law enforcement sources, it is ghost guns that are the problem. These are the guns that can be assembled in parts bought on the internet or made separately, unregistered and untraceable, with no serial numbers. Some of the parts can be made from 3D printers, authorities say.

Police nationwide reported about 20,000 suspected ghost gun seizures to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives — 10 times more than in 2016, according to the White House. Hartford police had seized 20 ghost guns off city streets by April this year.

But in Connecticut there is a problem: The legislature banned newer ghost guns in 2019; older ghost guns that were manufactured before 2019 inexplicably were grandfathered in as legal. The effort to require registration of the older guns failed.

And it did not come up in this year's legislative session. There are partisan issues contributing to the lack of action.

This despite the governor acknowledging ghost guns "are there to kill people."

Now the governor should push for it again, even in this election year. A law to require such registration would send a strong message that Connecticut remains determined to protect its residents as well as the rights of law-abiding gun owners.

A law requiring registration of ghost guns should not impose a roadblock for law-abiding gun owners. Those gun owners have nothing to hide and already abide with a host of laws in this state.

Lamont says he does not know whether a special session is needed.

But he has lamented "we could have done a better job here in Connecticut and send a message far afield, especially when it comes to those ghost guns."

This is not a time to lament. It is a time to act.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why would anyone vote to reelect Blumenthal?

Sen. Richard Blumenthal's actions, or lack thereof, have severely harmed the people of Connecticut. Sen. Blumenthal voted for the excessive Federal COVID-19 spending packages that have brought on and fueled the highest inflation rate in 40 years. As a result, our economy is faltering, we are headed for a recession and people planning for retirement, or are already retired, are watching their savings evaporate. Sen. Blumenthal has done nothing to stop or oppose the flood of drugs and immigrants coming over our southern border. It is now easier to locate fentanyl than baby formula. His support for the Biden administration's disastrous energy policy, i.e., the systematic dismantlement of our nation's oil and gas industry, has driven gasoline, diesel fuel and energy costs to their highest levels in our nation's history. Why would anyone vote to send him back to Washington as Connecticut's senator?

David Walpole, Glastonbury

Working together to fix flags in Hartford

I asked my brother to check with the Barry Square post office regarding its tattered and torn flags. Seems replacement could not be done because the cords were severely wrapped around the pole and could not be removed. I stopped by Engine Co. No. 10 on Franklin Avenue and explained the problem. Since they do not have a ladder, they said they'll contact Ladder Co. No. 6. Within a day and a half, new flags proudly wave again. Yes, we all can work together to achieve success. Remembering my Navy, Army, Marine family members on this Memorial Day who served in WWI, WWII, Korea, Afghanistan and in peacetime.

Marianne Midura, Hartford

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Enough of Rennie; he is a bitter partisan

While I think it's imperative to support local journalism, I'm having a hard time justifying the money I pay for digital access to The Courant. First, it's a lot more expensive than many other news outlets, but that doesn't deter me from subscribing. What I'm having a hard time with is how much ink you afford Kevin Rennie. Kevin is a bitter partisan who manages to constantly find fault with Democrats statewide. In a state that's blue across the board, one might think that Rennie would serve a useful role as a check on one-party rule, but he chooses instead to nurse grievances and paint Dems in the worst possible light, while ignoring or hardly ever mentioning Republican malfeasance. Why do you continue to give him the space you do, both online and in print? You continue to roll out his sophomoric complaints, poking the very readers you need with his childish, annoying whining. Keep it up and you won't have this reader around to annoy much longer.

Tom Morgan, Simsbury

Heading toward more restrictions for women

The letter to the editor by Thomas Cangelosi reminded us all of the adage that if it were males who got pregnant, there would be no laws, no rules, no stigma about what one could do with one's own body and its function. The fact it was written by a male brought a tear to my eye. It reinforces the fact that laws and bans being created against a woman's decision to do what is right for her at any given time in the privacy of her own bedroom, has nothing to do with any elimination of an unwanted pregnancy. It has everything to do with control over women and their rights. Watch how this forced control will merely lead to more restrictions of what women can or can't do for their own livelihood. There would be free abortion kiosks on every corner should males become the breeders.

Pam Bergren, Glastonbury

Presidents should not be able to act with impunity

According to recent polling, 84% of voters — Republicans and Democrats alike — agree that no president should be able to obstruct and undermine the will of the American people or exploit weaknesses in our political system for their personal gain. In our polarized politics, that bipartisan support is a huge deal. So what can we do to protect our democracy from presidential corruption? Pass bold legislation like the Protecting Our Democracy Act. If passed, it would prevent future abuse of presidential power and corruption, increase transparency and ensure that presidents of either party can be held accountable. If the average person used their public office for personal gain, they'd go to jail. So why should the president be allowed to act with impunity? That's why I'm urging Congress to pass the Protecting Our Democracy Act. We must prevent future presidents of any party from abusing the power of their office.

Michael Cain, Avon

Rennie

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he allowed the Bruno mess to go on for years. Carroll has a reputation as tough in his dealings with many judges. While reporting on the Bruno story I was surprised to learn of the negative atmosphere that haunts frontline judges. If every judge who has endured an episode of Carroll's wrath claimed a disability, our courtrooms would be empty.

The Judicial Branch's inability to cope with a judge who misses this much work has diminished it at a time when we need more public confidence in our institutions, not less. The years-long bungling of the Bruno problem overshadows the work the state's judges grind out day after day. Now and then a preposterous show horse who craves attention more than respect steals a spotlight. The rest of the frontline judges report for work, listen to disputes, sort out details, apply the law and move cases to conclusions.

The Bruno case requires an explanation from court leaders. In this baffling age, judges and social media influencers are among the only people society pays some deference. The Judicial Branch's bungling of the Bruno case feeds public suspicions that the highest ranking state employees are secure in a world that has little to do with the reality average citizens face each day. Those people deserve an explanation.

Kevin F. Rennie of South Windsor is a lawyer and a former Republican state senator and representative.



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COMMENTARY

US doesn't know how to stop school shootings

By Julianna Goldman
Bloomberg Opinion



Kymber Guzman, 8, visits a memorial for the victims of a mass shooting Thursday in Uvalde, Texas. **WALLY SKALIJ/LOS ANGELES TIMES**

As of right now, in the entire country, there is just a single federally funded study on preventing gun violence in America's schools. It started in September.

And in the days since 19 children and two teachers were gunned down in their classroom at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas, members of the research team of about a dozen scientists and educators have been furiously emailing back and forth, asking how they can speed up the work on their three-year grant.

"We really don't know what works and what doesn't to keep schools safe from events like Tuesday," said Charles Branas, a professor of epidemiology at Columbia University and one of the lead investigators in the study. School districts across the country are formulating policies in a vacuum without "any evidence to hang their hat on."

Wait, what? Columbine. Sandy Hook. Parkland. The federal government wasn't funding this kind of research before?

The answer is no — not for more than 20 years.

In 1996, Congress passed the so-called "Dickey Amendment," named after the late U.S. Rep. Jay Dickey, who retired from Congress with an A-plus rating from the National Rifle Association. The measure effectively cut off funding for research on gun violence at the Centers for Disease Control.

Dickey had a change of heart following the 2012 massacre in a Colorado movie theater that killed 12 people. He partnered with a former nemesis, Mark Rosenberg, then director of the CDC's National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, to argue that gun violence should be treated like a public health crisis. In a 2012 op-ed article in the Washington Post, they implored Congress to restore the funding.

"We were on opposite sides of the heated battle 16 years ago, but we are in strong agreement now that scientific research should be conducted into preventing firearm injuries," they wrote. "Ways to prevent firearm deaths can be found without encroaching on the rights of legitimate gun owners."

It wasn't for another six years that a Republican president, Donald Trump, signed a spending bill that restored CDC research for gun violence and prevention. In 2020 and 2021, Congress allocated $25 million over three years for such research, split between the CDC and the National Institutes of Health. But that's a pittance, Rosenberg says, compared to the $200 million annual spending over 50 years on research into preventing motor vehicle injuries. That spending has helped save 600,000 lives — about the same number of lives, he notes, lost to gun violence between 2000 and 2020.

Branas and his team are studying about 650 public schools across the country in urban and non-urban centers. The team is looking at schools that have experienced gun violence and those that haven't, examining the effectiveness of about two dozen safety tactics and policies.

The study is in such early stages that there isn't even preliminary data. "It's really unclear if arming teachers is a solution. Teachers already have a major job in a classroom," he told me. "We haven't even begun to scratch the surface of the implications of running kids through lockdown drills."

The CDC and NIH have awarded some 28 grants to study a range of gun violence issues, including the best ways to intervene and prevent threats of gun violence on social media; how to figure out who is most at risk of being victims of gun violence and who is most at risk of perpetrating violent gun acts; and the development of a website to teach children hunting, shooting and firearms safety.

"Science is not the set of perfect answers," Rosenberg told me. "It's a tool for reaching the answers."

Branas hopes his team's findings can be used by school districts around the country to inform prescriptive measures and prevent other children from being senselessly gunned down.

I look forward to their findings. But when it comes to gun violence — as with vaccines and climate change — I worry whether data and scientific arguments are enough. The aftermath of a mass shooting is by now sadly familiar. There's a template, with rolling coverage leading up to a visit from the president, an impassioned plea for stricter gun laws and failed votes in Congress.

The vast majority of the country supports universal background checks, most people want to ban gun purchases by those with mental illness, and they don't want people carrying concealed weapons without permits. And yet there is a feeling of hopelessness that American society is incapable of doing anything about these massacres.

Maybe we hugged our children a little tighter and a little longer this morning before we sent them off to school. What else can we do?

"It makes us doubly motivated that we have to find something, that we have to contribute to a solution here," Branas told me. "And that drives an inkling of optimism for us."

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The Republican war on civil virtue



Paul Krugman

It's hard to say which of the Republican responses to the latest mass shooting was most reprehensible. The reliably awful Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas attracted considerable attention by insisting that the answer is to put armed guards in schools, never mind that Uvalde's school system has its own police force and officers seem to have been on the scene soon after the shooter arrived.

And the Buffalo, New York, supermarket that was the location of a mass shooting just 10 days earlier also had an armed security guard, who was killed because his gun was no match for the shooter's body armor.

But if you ask me, the worst and also most chilling response came from Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick of Texas. What we need to do, declared Patrick, is "harden these targets so no one can get in, ever, except maybe through one entrance."

That restriction would have interesting consequences in the event of a fire. But in any case, think about Patrick's language: In a nation that's supposedly at peace, we should treat schools as "targets" that need to be "hardened." What would that do to public education, which has for many generations been one of the defining experiences of growing up in America? Don't worry, says a writer for The Federalist: Families can keep their kids safe by resorting to home-schooling.

Actually, if you take the proposals by Cruz, Patrick and others literally, they amount to a call for turning the land of the free into a giant armed camp. There are around 130,000 K-12 schools in America; there are close to 40,000 supermarkets; there are many other venues that might offer prey for mass killers. So protecting all these public spaces Republican-style would require creating a heavily armed, effectively military domestic defense force — heavily armed because it would face attackers with body armor and semi-automatic weapons — that would be at least as big as the Marine Corps.

Why would such a thing be necessary? Mass shootings are very rare outside the United States. Why are they so common here? Not, according to the U.S. right, because we're a nation where a disturbed 18-year-old can easily buy military-grade weapons and body armor. No, says Patrick, it's because "We're a coarse society."

I know it's a hopeless effort to say this, but imagine the reaction if a prominent liberal politician were to declare that the reason the United States has a severe social problem that doesn't exist elsewhere is that Americans are bad people. We'd never hear the end of it. But when a Republican says it, it barely makes a ripple.

And I guess I should say for the record that I personally don't believe that Americans, as individuals, are worse than anyone else. If anything, what has always struck me when returning from trips abroad is that Americans are (or were) on average exceptionally nice and pleasant to interact with.

What distinguishes us is that it's so easy for people who aren't nice to arm themselves to the teeth.

OK, I think everyone realizes that none of what Republicans are saying about how to respond to mass shootings will translate into actual policy proposals. They're barely even trying to make sense. Instead, they're just making noise to drown out rational discussion until the latest atrocity fades from the news cycle. The truth is that conservatives consider mass shootings, and for that matter America's astonishingly high overall rate of gun deaths, as an acceptable price for pursuing their ideology.

But what is that ideology? I'd argue that while talk about America's unique gun culture isn't exactly wrong, it's too narrow. What we're really looking at here is a broad assault on the very idea of civic duty — on the idea that people should follow certain rules, accept some restrictions on their behavior, to protect the lives of their fellow citizens.

In other words, we should think of vehement opposition to gun regulations as a phenomenon closely linked to vehement (and highly partisan) opposition to mask mandates and vaccination in the face of a deadly pandemic, vehement opposition to environmental rules like the ban on phosphates in detergent, and more.

Where does this hatred of the idea of civic duty come from? No doubt some of it, like almost everything in U.S. politics, is related to race.

One thing it doesn't reflect, however, is our national tradition.

When you hear talk of home-schooling, remember that the United States basically invented universal public education. Environmental protection used to be a nonpartisan issue: The Clean Air Act of 1970 passed the Senate without a single nay. And Hollywood mythology aside, most towns in the Old West had stricter limits on the carrying of firearms than Gov. Greg Abbott's Texas.

As I suggested, I don't fully understand where this aversion to the basic rules of a civilized society is coming from. What's clear, however, is that the very people who shout most about "freedom" are doing their best to turn America into a "Hunger Games"-type dystopian nightmare, with checkpoints everywhere, loomed over by men with guns.

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Southern Baptist moral meltdown



David Brooks

They dedicated their lives to a gospel that says that every human being is made in the image of God. They dedicated their lives to a creed that commands one to look out for the marginalized, the vulnerable. The last shall be first. The meek shall inherit the Earth.

And yet when allegations of sexual abuse came, the leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention betrayed it all. Those men — and they seem to have all been men — must have listened to hundreds of hours of pious sermons, read hundreds of high-minded theological books, recited thousands of hours of prayer, and yet all those true teachings and good beliefs had no effect on their actual behavior.

Instead, according to an independently produced report released by the convention this week, those leaders covered up widespread abuse in their denomination and often intimidated and belittled victims. More than 400 people believed to be affiliated with the church, including some church leaders, have been accused of committing abuse.

One woman, Jennifer Lyell, said she'd been sexually abused while a student at a Southern Baptist seminary. In an article, the church's communications arm made it sound as if she were confessing to a consensual affair. Paige Patterson, then the head of one seminary, told one student not to report a rape, according to the report, and later, at another seminary, "emailed his intention to meet with another student who had reported an assault, with no other officials present, so he could 'break her down.' "

Those leaders' stated beliefs and sacred creeds had zero effect on their actual behavior, just as similar creeds and beliefs had zero effect on the Catholic bishops who behaved in much the same way when they learned of abuses years ago.

How can there be such a chasm between what people "believe" and what they do? Don't our beliefs matter?

The fact is, moral behavior doesn't start with having the right beliefs. Moral behavior starts with an act — the act of seeing the full humanity of other people. Moral behavior is not about having the right intellectual concepts in your head. It's about seeing other people with the eyes of the heart, seeing them in their full experience, suffering with their full suffering, walking with them on their path. Morality starts with the quality of attention we cast upon another.

If you look at people with a detached, emotionless gaze, it doesn't really matter what your beliefs are, because you have morally disengaged. You have perceived a person not as a full human but as a thing, as a vague entity toward which the rules of morality do not apply.

In 2007, a woman named Christa Brown had the courage to testify before Southern Baptist officials that her youth pastor had repeatedly sexually assaulted her when she was 16. She reported that one official turned his back, literally refusing to look at her, refusing to see her.

That is the sort of dehumanization that creates indifference that enables rape, abuse and all the other horrific dehumanizing acts down the road.

Character is not measured by a person's beliefs but by the ability to see the full humanity of others. It is not automatic. It's a skill acquired slowly. It's about being able to focus on what's going on in your own mind and simultaneously focus on what's going on in another mind. It's about learning how to minutely observe, absorb and resonate with other people's emotions.

It comes about through years of shared experiences, decades of other-centered attention, engagement with the kind of literature that educates you in what can go on in other people's heads. It's spiritual training to get out of your own egotistic self-referential thinking and into the habit of asking what's this moment like for that other person.

As social scientists have shown in one experiment after another, it's very easy to get people to dehumanize each other. You divide people into in-groups and out-groups. You spread a tacit ideology that says women are less important than men or Black people are less important than white people. You use euphemistic language so that horrific acts can be abstracted into sanitized jargon.

You tell a victimization story: We are under attack. They're out to get us. They're monsters. They deserve what they get.

You tell a righteousness story: We do the Lord's work. Our mission is vital. Anybody who interferes is a beast.

You bureaucratize: You create a system of nonresponsibility in which rules and procedures matter, not people. When you read the report on the Southern Baptists you realize, once again, how much horror can be done by dutiful functionaries who focus on minimizing legal liabilities but not honoring human beings.

We're living in a period awash in cruelty — not only with abuse scandals, but also with mass shootings, political barbarism and the atrocities in Ukraine. How much will the pummeling act of experiencing the news these days lead to empathy erosion? Where will the forces of rehumanization come from? Apparently not from our religious elites.

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A rendering of Clint Ramos' scenic design for "Kiss My Aztec!" at Hartford Stage June 1-26. **HARTFORD STAGE PHOTOS**

An irreverent twist on history

John Leguizamo describes his play 'Kiss My Aztec!' being done at Hartford Stage

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant



"I definitely want to put this history on stage, so we can put it back in the history books. I wanted a mixtape of Latin American history. That's the best way. You're gonna laugh your ass off, and you're gonna learn s---."

— John Leguizamo, co-writer of "Kiss My Aztec!"

To be clear from the start: He's not in it. But countless other LatinX characters are, going back several centuries of sadly overlooked world history.

John Leguizamo co-wrote "Kiss My Aztec!," the splashy musical comedy running June 1-26 at Hartford Stage. The theater describes the show on its website as "a jubilant and hilarious celebration of Hispanic & Latin culture" in which "a group of Aztecs lead the resistance against Spanish invaders. With a fierce female warrior at the helm and a not-so-fierce clown in tow, they mount a scrappy attack — and get entangled with royalty, colonizers, pop stars, and puppets!"

The award-winning actor, writer, comedian, performance artist and playwright has graced numerous Connecticut stages in the past 30 years, including Foxwoods, where he performed "Ghetto Klown" in 2012, and The Bushnell, where he did his "Latin History for Morons" in the spring of 2019.

But Leguizamo doesn't always appear in the scripts he writes. Even the ones he wrote for himself have lived on as scripts performed by other actors. Two of Leguizamo's earliest one-man shows, "Mambo Mouth" and "Spic-o-Rama," were done in the late '90s at TheaterWorks by Ricardo Ibarra-Rivera.

Ask Leguizamo if he ever considered "Kiss My Aztec!" as a vehicle for himself and his immediate response is "I can't sing!" The show is a full-fledged singing, dancing musical, with music by Benjamin Velez and lyrics by Velez, Leguizamo and journalist/author David Kamp.

"I've sung in movies, with help," Leguizamo continues. "I'm hoping to be able to be in this someday, somehow, but it needs real singers and dancers, who can also do languages and be funny."

He calls live theater "my very first love. Theater saved me when I was 15 years old, reading plays. People forget how theater helped cinema develop."

Leguizamo received a special Tony Award in 2018, and had previously been nominated for Tonys for Best Actor (for "Freak," 1998) and Special Theatrical Event (for "Sexaholics: A Love Story" in 2002). "Getting that Tony, not a bad thing!," Leguizamo says. "It gave me courage. I'm been moving forward, reinventing."

The Hartford Stage rendition of "Kiss My Aztec!" is the show's East Coast premiere, after two productions in California Berkley Repertory Theatre, where the play's co-writer and director Tony Taccone was artistic director from 1997 to 2019, and the LaJolla Playhouse. (In Connecticut, Taccone directed "Culture Clash in AmeriCCa," starring the Latino comedy troupe Culture Clash, at the Yale Repertory Theatre in 2003.)

"Kiss My Aztec!" has been extensively reworked for Hartford, with Leguizamo attending rehearsals earlier this month following several previous weeks of rehearsals in New York. "I stop working on stuff when they lock me out," Leguizamo says. "This keeps getting tighter, and more poignant."

The entire perspective of the show has changed, its co-creator explains. "We've been experimenting with different takes on it. In California, it was done like 'What if street performers were telling the story of Aztec times?' Now, we are *in* Aztec times."

There's also a new choreographer (Mayte Natalio), some new cast members and many new design elements. "There's a new end to Act One," Leguizamo says, "and a new finale. It was doing great [in California] but I believe things can always be better. Theater teaches you that there are infinite possibilities."

Over a dozen cast members take on dozens of roles in "Kiss My Aztec!," but there are also some lead characters that add continuity to this time-spanning historical comedy.

While Leguizamo and Taccone found plenty of places for jokes and songs in the script, "Kiss My Aztec!" is also sharing important history. "The Aztecs were the only people on earth whose culture and language was completely destroyed, and yet we are still here," Leguizamo says of the modern-day Latinx community. "It's not that we're not included — we're *excluded*, which is crazy. We're the largest ethnic group in America. We're the only people

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Comedy, country stars and improv fun

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

Chris Rock and Wanda Sykes at different casinos on the same night. Improv comedy on a hyperlocal and a nationally televised level. A slew of country stars hitting arenas. A modern comic history of the Aztecs, co-scripted by John Leguizamo or a musical about the Four Season co-scripted by Marshall Brickman. Variety, yet within that variety there are choices to be made.

Green jokes

Kareem Green, now recognized as an actor on such shows as "Flatbush Misdemeanors," started his career as a comedian who regularly killed on "Life at the Apollo." Catch his stand-up May 29 at Centrale Fox Tower, Foxwoods Resort Casino, 350 Trolley Line Blvd., Mashantucket. $10. foxwoods.com.

Aztec 101

Theater trend of the moment: Woefully overlooked chapters of world history, told by the cultures who haven't been widely heard from on these issues, amplified with outrageous comedy. While Yale Rep has "Between Two Knees" through June 4, Hartford Stage is opening "Kiss My Aztec," a comic history of Aztec civilization co-written by John Leguizamo and Tony Taccone, June 1-26. The content advisory on the Hartford Stage website notes that "this production contains bawdy humor, adult themes and language, haze, and flashing lights" and also that, though he co-wrote it, Leguizamo does not perform in the show. $30-$100. hartfordstage.org.

Xenia returns

Hartford-born singer/songwriter Xenia Rubinos is now an internationally known star who released her second full-length album last year. She plays June 2 at 8 p.m. at the Space Ballroom, 295 Treadwell St., Hamden. The acclaimed local classically tinged pop band Olive Tiger is the opening act. spaceballroom.com.

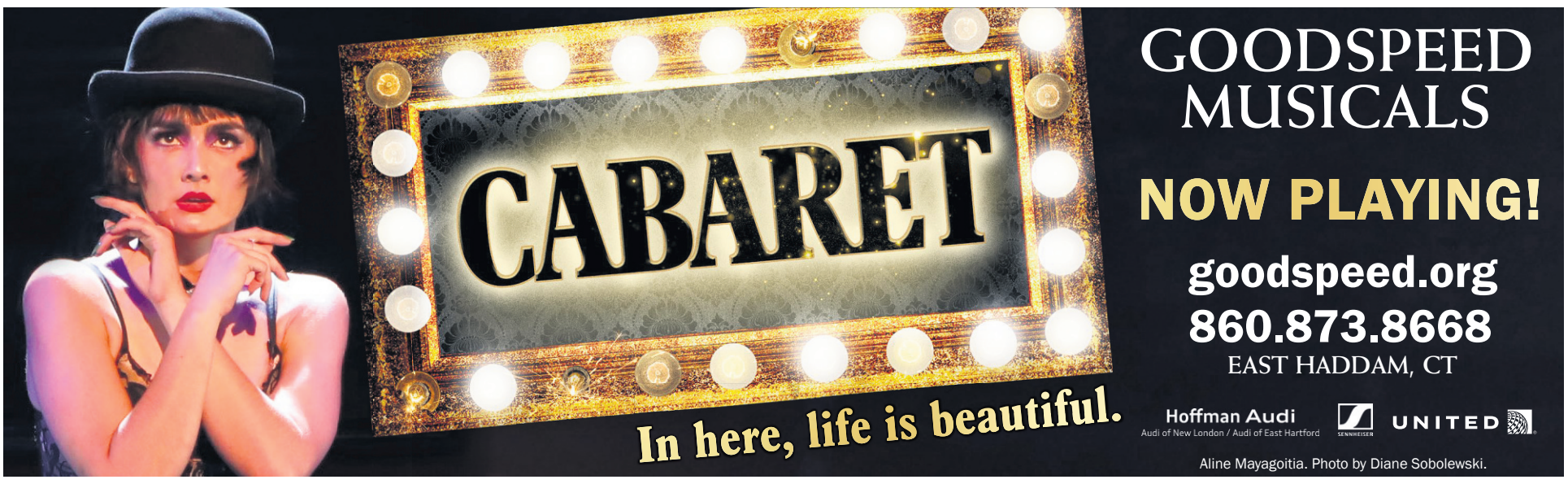
Tab Benoit twice

Guitarist Tab Benoit plays two venues in Connecticut this week: June 2 at Infinity Hall, 32 Front St., Hartford ($49-$59;

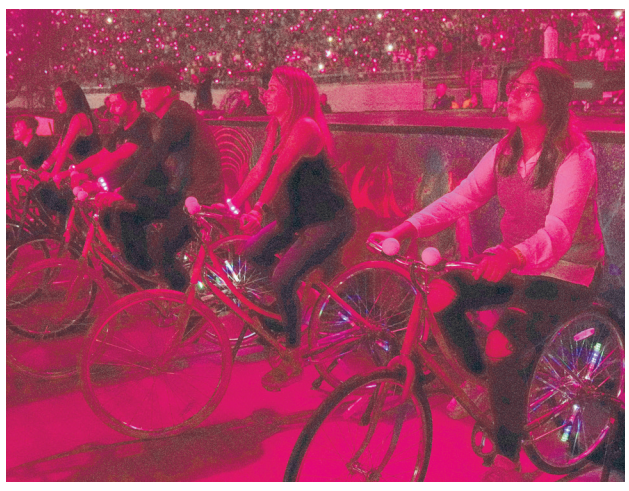
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Wanda Sykes is at Foxwoods' Premier Theater June 3. **FOXWOODS RESORT CASINO**









Concertgoers dance, at left, and other fans ride stationary bikes, top right, during Coldplay's "Music of the Spheres" world tour on May 12 at State Farm Stadium in Glendale, Arizona. At lower right, bassist Guy Berryman, left, and lead singer Chris Martin of Coldplay perform on the same night at the venue. **RICK SCUTERI/INVISION PHOTOS**

Energized by the crowd

By Mark Kennedy
Associated Press

With kinetic dance floors and energy-storing stationary bikes, Coldplay among acts working to reduce climate footprint of tours

It's often said that fans at live concerts give the band a jolt of electricity. Coldplay wants to literally harness that.

The pop superstars have added kinetic dance floors and energy-storing stationary bikes to their latest world tour, encouraging fans to help power the show as they dance or spin.

It's part of a larger push to make the tour more environmentally friendly. The band — whose songs include the appropriately titled "Higher Power" — has pledged to be as sustainable and low-carbon as possible, hoping to cut its CO_2 emissions by 50%.

"You don't want to come across as being overly earnest. This stuff is really good fun as well," said bassist Guy Berryman. "That's the way it will bed in, if people see it less as a sort of onerous responsibility and more as a kind of opportunity to do something fun and it's a benefit to the environment and to the whole concert experience."

Each kinetic dance floor can hold dozens of people, with electricity created when movement is made on them. The band has preshow contests to see which group of fans can generate the most power, fueled by "Jump Around" by House of Pain.

And each of the bikes — a minimum of 15 but can be scaled up depending on the venue size — can generate an average of 200 watts of energy, captured in batteries that run elements of the show.

Coldplay is just one of the music acts working to reduce effects of the climate footprints of their tours, a list that includes Billie Eilish, Harry Styles, the Lumineers, Dave Matthews Band, Shawn Mendes, Maroon 5, John Mayer, Lorde, the Chicks, Jason Isbell and the 1975.

"The relationship that musicians have with millions of their fans is unlike any other relationship of any other public figure. It can be a walking, talking example," said Adam Gardner, founder and co-executive director of Reverb, a nonprofit that helps bands make their concerts greener, but is not helping on Coldplay's tour.

The artists are reflecting an overall push in the entertainment sphere — from sports teams to toy manufacturers — to reduce their carbon footprints. A study by Live Nation found 82% of live musicgoers said they strive to maintain an environmentally sustainable lifestyle.

"Being green is not a charitable sort of self-flagellating, holier-than-thou exercise. It's a good business model. That's what we'd like to show," said Coldplay lead singer Chris Martin.

The efforts involve everything from providing more plant-based food options at concessions and eliminating single-use plastic to and rethinking transportation — the most environmentally taxing aspect of tours — for both musicians and fans.

Eilish has pledged to eliminate an estimated 35,000 single-use water bottles from her tour and only serves vegetarian food backstage. The band Massive Attack is traveling by train, and Olivia Rodrigo's "Sour" merchandise is sustainably dyed and 100% organic cotton. Mendes has pledged to reduce his tour's environmental impact and emissions by 50% per show, employing sustainable fabrics in tour hoodies and T-shirts, staying at hotels that commit to net zero emissions, eliminating plastic and using sustainable aviation fuel. Styles' recent tour had battery recycling centers, and it donated unused hotel toiletries to shelters.

Coldplay plans to minimize air travel — but when flights are necessary, the band will opt for commercial over charter — and will use trains and electric vehicles whenever possible. Trucks will use alternative fuels like hydrotreated vegetable oil.

"We've looked at every aspect of the show because there isn't one thing that you can do which makes an overall significant difference. It's just basically all of these changes that you make add up to something overall more impressive," said Berryman. "Hopefully it will have this ripple effect throughout our industry."

The "Music of the Spheres" tour stage uses recycled steel, and the band hopes to deploy the world's first tour battery system, made from 40 repurposed and recyclable BMW electric car batteries. The hope is to power the show from batteries, never needing the grid or diesel generators.

"We are very blessed that we have the resources to be able to do it because it's very expensive to try these things for the first time," said Martin. "We're so privileged that we're in a position where we can change."

There's also biodegradable confetti, compostable wristbands for the audience, the use of solar panels, and a backstage generator powered by vegetable oil. All band merchandise is sustainably and ethically sourced and 10% of the tour's net revenue will go to environmental organizations like The Ocean Cleanup and One Tree Planted.

"We're trying to do this in a way that's quite pragmatic and businesslike so that we don't get written off as kind of left-wing nut cases. But it's quite centrist and practical," said Martin.

Coldplay drummer Will Champion said the new green technology may be helpful to other bands just starting out on tour and hopes all musical acts can share experiences of what works and what doesn't.

"The more this is out there, and the more people are taking initiative and coming up with new ideas, the quicker it becomes industry standard," he said. "When that tips to the point where it's a no-brainer because it costs the same or less than traditional ways of doing it, that's when the floodgates open and then we make significant change."

But change hasn't always gone smoothly. Coldplay has been accused of greenwashing because it has partnered with Neste, which bills itself as the world's largest producer of sustainable biofuels.

Transport and Environment, a Brussels-based environmental organization, said Neste has "documented links to deforestation and dubious biofuels," like palm oil or its byproducts. But Neste responded that "conventional palm oil" was not used as a "raw material" in the Coldplay collaboration, and it hopes to end use of conventional palm oil by 2023.

"They're trying their best," said Transport and Environment senior director Carlos Calvo Ambel about Coldplay, "but maybe they picked the wrong consultant."

Coldplay isn't just pledging to reduce its own carbon footprint. It's also building incentives for its audience to do the same on the way to the venue.

There's a free app for fans that calculates and ranks different ways of traveling to the concert — car, public transport, taxi, bike and train, included — with rewards like discounts on merchandise for those who commit to taking more green-friendly trips.

"Everything in our show is really designed to bring everyone into the same group, singing together and wearing the wristbands. And this is just an extension of that. It makes us feel alive. It makes us feel part of a community," said Martin.

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who fought in every war that America has ever had. Our contributions have been massive, but our stories are conspicuously left out."

"I definitely want to put this history on stage, so we can put it back in the history books. I wanted a mixtape of Latin American history. That's the best way. You're gonna laugh your ass off, and you're gonna learn s---."

The intensive research Leguizamo did for his one-man show "Latin History for Morons," which visited The Bushnell on tour after a successful Broadway run, inspired him to build an entire show around the Aztecs. The musical's book is credited to Leguizamo and Taccone, "based on a screenplay" by Leguizamo and Stephen Chbosky.

Leguizamo's upcoming film projects include roles in "The Survivor" (directed by Barry Levinson, based on the life of boxer and concentration camp survivor Harry Haft) and "The Menu" (starring Ralph Fiennes and set at an exclusive restaurant on a remote island).

Meanwhile, the star and scribe of stage and screen expects "Kiss My Aztec!" to have a healthy life beyond Hartford Stage. "We have Broadway ambitions. This deserves a Broadway run."

"Kiss My Aztec!" runs June 1-26 at Hartford Stage, 50 Church St., Hartford. Tickets are $30-$100. hartfordstage.org.

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infinityhall.com) and June 3 at Fairfield Theatre Company, 70 Sanford St., Fairfield ($55, $45 members; infinityhall.com). Both shows are at 8 p.m. and both are opened by Whiskey Bayou Revue.

Country ways

Summer arena shows often means country stars. Tim McGraw is at Xfinity Theater, 61 Savitt Way, Hartford, June 2 at p.m. ($35-$149, plus a lot more for platinum package deals; livenation.com), while Lee Brice, Michael Ray and Jackson Dean are all at Hartford Healthcare Ampitheater, 500 Broad St., Bridgeport on June 3 at 8 p.m. livenation.com.

Chris Rock from the Sun

He's started talking about "the slap," but there's a lot more to Chris Rock than being a punching bag for the actor who played Muhammad Ali. One of the top stand-ups in the country for more than two decades now, Rock brings the pain to Mohegan Sun Arena, 1 Mohegan Sun Blvd., Uncasville, on his Ego Death World Tour, June 3 at p.m. $79.50-$119.50. mohegansun.com.



Country singer Tim McGraw performs at Xfinity Theater June 2. **GETTY**

Wanda Sykes at Foxwoods

Just as formidable a comic presence as Chris Rock, Wanda Sykes is at Foxwoods the same exact night Rock's at Mohegan Sun (at less than half the price). Did you see her co-hosting the Oscars? Did you see her Emmy-nominated impression of Moms Mabley on "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel"? June 3 at 8 p.m. at Foxwoods' Premier Theater, 350 Trolley Line Blvd., Mashantucket. $38-$58. foxwoods.com.

Seasons' greetings

Whatever the season, "Jersey Boys" has never worn out its welcome. The latest tour of the show, which charts the rise and fall of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, plays a single night at the Palace Theater, 100 East Main St., Waterbury, June 4 at 8 p.m. $44-$89. palacetheaterct.org.

Improv chat

Sea Tea Comedy Theater is known for innovative variations on conventional improv comedy set-ups. "Chatterbox: Improv Meets Storytelling" has kind of a talk show format, with live interviews of local celebrities and regular folks, whose stories are fashioned on the spot into comedy sketches. June 4 at 7 p.m. at Sea Tea Comedy Theater, 15 Asylum Street, Hartford. $10. seateaimprov.com.

Wild 'N Out Live

The hip-hop improv comedy game show "MTV Wild 'N Out Live," now in its 17th season, has been adapted to a concert tour, still starring Nick Cannon. June 4 at 8 p.m. at Xfinity Theater, 61 Savitt Road, Hartford. $22-$149, or hundreds more for a VIP package. livenation.com.

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Toki Toyokazu, a crowd favorite from Sendai, Japan, performs on the main stage April 23 at the Parkes Elvis Festival in Parkes, Australia. **ABIGAIL VARNEY/THE NEW YORK TIMES PHOTOS**

'Elvi' come together

The King never played a show in Australia, but that hasn't stopped thousands from making him their own

By Damien Cave
The New York Times



People participate in the parade April 23 during the Parkes Elvis Festival in Parkes, Australia.

PARKES, Australia — The Elvis Presley from Japan bowed with quiet respect. Then he tore into a rendition of "Burning Love" that sounded straight out of Memphis, Tennessee.

Backstage, a few more "Elvi" — the plural of Elvis, at least at the largest Elvis festival in the Southern Hemisphere — were going over final song choices, sweating their options for a crowd that blurred the line between fans and impersonators. Thousands of Elvi were out there in the middle of Australia, ages 5 to 85, with more pompadours and leisure suits than anyone could count.

"God, it's so many people," said Charles Stone, Elvis' tour manager from 1971 until his death in 1977, surveying the scene with a gold chain peeking outside his T-shirt. "Look at this."

Parkes, a small town a five hours' drive from Sydney, now shines once a year with Elvis sequins and rhinestones. Around 25,000 people usually join the festival, which started out with a couple of restaurant owners trying to bring a little less conversation and a little more action into Parkes.

That was in 1993. Nearly 30 years later, the festival has become a national treasure that exemplifies how Australians tend to do a lot of things: all together, with self-deprecating humor and copious amounts of alcohol.

This year's event — after COVID-19 forced a cancellation in 2021 — felt somehow more Elvis-like than ever. A certain heaviness mixed with the thrill of rock 'n' roll. From tiny pubs with first-time singers to golf courses and rugby pitches where games were played in matching Elvis gear — and, of course, to the main stages, where the world's top tribute artists could be found — there was a craving for post-lockdown, post-pandemic release.

What is life even for, many of them yelled over the music, if not for a dress-up-and-let-go, yank-each-other-up-on-stage-and-SING sense of abandon?

"It lets us forget everything," said Gina Vicar, 61, a small-business owner from Melbourne who had come to the festival with a dozen friends. "With all that we've gone through and what the world is going through now, it's great to see all this joy."

All over Parkes, Elvi won over the Elvis faithful.

Toki Toyokazu, the singer from Sendai, Japan, was a crowd favorite; he won the festival's formal competition in 2020, and his return seemed to signal a post-COVID-19 milestone.

Another performer, "Bollywood Elvis," wearing a gold jumpsuit featuring faux gems the size of Waffle House biscuits, also seemed to pop up whenever energy flagged. His real name was Alfred Vaz. He moved to Australia from what was then Bombay in 1981, when he was a manager for Air India, and he said he had been coming to Parkes since the festival began. This year, he brought his nephew, Callum Vincent, 24, a music teacher from Perth, who smiled as he took it all in.

"There's only one Elvis," Vaz, 65, said as the festival's parade began. "There are a lot of pretenders and a lot of contenders, but there's only one Elvis."

Except in Parkes, a former mining town in a country where Elvis never actually played a concert.

A few minutes earlier, the mayor and the area's local member of Parliament had driven by, sitting on the back of a convertible wearing '70s jumpsuits along with wigs and sunglasses. Vicar and her friends walked in the parade alongside, well, the full range of Elvi.

A few of the Elvis outfits on dad bods looked pretty rundown or were ripped in unfortunate places. These were mostly the rugby Elvi, who had gathered for an annual match between the Elvis-inspired "Blue Suede Shoes" and the "Ready Teddys."

Doug Moore, 41, officially the water boy — which meant pouring bags of wine down the gullets of winded players — told me they were enlisted early on in the festival's history to build support by wearing the same Elvis outfit for the entire festival weekend.

Tiffany Steel, the festival director and daughter of the founders, Bob and Anne Steel, confirmed their instrumental role. In 2007, they helped get the Parkes festival into Guinness World Records: 147 Elvi gathered to sing "Love Me Tender," breaking the previous record of 78 for the "largest gathering of Elvis Presley impersonators."

"When you're from a town like this," said Moore, a project manager, fixing a wig that went along with a skintight outfit, including a cape, "you just have to get into it."

Americans these days seem a little less willing. Stone, Elvis' former concert manager, said growth in "Elvis culture" now came mostly from outside the King's home country.

Taylor Rodriguez, 24, an American from Lynchburg, Virginia, who was crowned the 2019 Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Champion by Elvis Presley Enterprises, noted that in the United States, dressing up was often seen as disrespectful to Elvis' legacy. In America, everything seems to be more serious, while in Australia, failing to join in for a laugh is still the bigger sin.

"I don't think there's a festival back home that compares to Parkes," Rodriguez said. "Here, it's pure — it's pure fun. It's just for the love of Elvis."

Southwest Airlines spending $2B on faster Wi-Fi, bigger overhead bins

By Kyle Arnold
The Dallas Morning News

Dallas-based Southwest Airlines will spend $2 billion on customer perks such as faster wireless internet, larger overhead bins for carry-on luggage and USB plugs at every seat for charging devices as it prepares for a travel boom.

Southwest Airlines began testing some upgraded Wi-Fi hardware this month that allows more customers to access faster internet connections on planes. The test is on just 50 planes and will increase internet bandwidth onboard by tenfold. Now the company says it will have the enhanced internet on 350 planes by the end of October.

"Top of our list is giving our customers reliable connections in the air to those things that are important and accessible to them on the ground," said Ryan Green, Southwest's senior vice president and chief marketing officer.

The moves come as Southwest and other airlines plan for a pivotal summer after two-plus years of up and down profits and losses from the COVID-19 pandemic. Airlines are expecting passenger numbers near records, even though Southwest and other carriers have cut flights due to a shortage of employees.

The new perks could be needed to keep customers happy as airfares rise along with spikes in prices for other travel needs, such as hotels and rental cars.

The new, bigger overhead bins will come on Boeing 737 Max jets with deliveries starting this fall, the company said. It didn't address whether bag sizes or weight limits will be increased, but larger bins would theoretically give more room for luggage.

The power ports on seats should also come with those new 737 Max jets set to be delivered early next year.



In-seat USB plugs come to Southwest Airlines starting early next year. **SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.**

Cultural treats in small-town Andalucía



Rick Steves



A cobbled street in Arcos de la Frontera serves as an alfresco dining spot. **RICK STEVES**

The American image of Spain is Andalucía: the home of bullfights, flamenco, gazpacho and pristine whitewashed hill towns. This southern part of the country feels more quintessentially Spanish than perhaps anywhere else. When visiting this area, I always make a point to venture into what's called the Route of the White Hill Towns (Ruta de los Pueblos Blancos), a charm bracelet of cute villages perched in the sierras.

Acros de la Frontera makes a good starting point. Arcos is a classic hill town, blanketing its little summit with a mosaic of whitewashed buildings and a tangle of shady lanes. The labyrinthine old center is a photographer's bonanza. I can feel the breeze funnel through the narrow streets — so narrow that drivers can only enter the town on one side and leave on the other. If you miss your stop, you need to drive out of town and circle all the way back to your starting point. The best advice: Park outside the old center and walk.

The entertaining market is my first stop. The pickle woman encourages me to try a banderilla, named for the bangled spear that a matador sticks into the bull. As I gingerly slide an onion off the tiny skewer of pickled olives, onions and carrots, she tells me to eat it all at once — the pickle equivalent of throwing down a shot of vodka. Explosivo! The lady in the adjacent meat stall bursts into laughter at my shock.

Like the pickle section, the meat stall — or salchichería — is an important part of any Spanish market. In Spain, ever since Roman times, December has been the month to slaughter pigs. After the slaughter, they salt and dry every possible bit of meat into various sausages, hams and pork products. By late spring, that now-salty meat is cured, able to withstand the heat, and hanging in tempting market displays. Ham appreciation is big here. The word to know: jamón. When in Spain, I am a jamón aficionado.

Asking for top-quality ham, I get a plate of jamón ibérico. While quite expensive, it's a worthy investment. Made from acorn-fed pigs with black feet, it actually does taste better, with a bouquet of its own and a sweet aftertaste. I make a point in bars to order a small plate of it with my wine ... it goes just right with vino tinto con mucho cuerpo (full-bodied red wine) from the Rioja region.

Around town, I like to peek discreetly into private patios. These wonderful, cool-tiled courtyards, filled with plants, pools and happy family activities, are typical of the whole region. I also keep my eyes peeled for ancient columns tucked into building corners. Many are actually Roman, appropriated from their original ancient settlement at the foot of the hill; they were put up to protect buildings from reckless donkey cars (and tourists in rental cars).

I eventually make my way into a cool dark bar filled with very short old guys. Any Spanish man over a certain age spent his growth-spurt years trying to survive the brutal Civil War (1936-39). Those who did struggled. That generation is a head shorter than Spaniards of the next.

In the bar, the men — side-lit like a Rembrandt portrait — are fixated on the TV, watching the finale of a long series of bullfights. El Cordobés is fighting. His father, also El Cordobés, was the Babe Ruth of bullfighting. El Cordobés uses his dad's name even though his dad sued in an effort to stop him. Marveling at the bar's cheap list of wines and hard drinks, I order a Cuba Libre for about $2. The drink comes tall and stiff, with a dish of peanuts.

Suddenly the room gasps. I can't believe the vivid scene on the screen. El Cordobés has been hooked and is flung, doing a cartwheel over the angry bull's head. The gang roars as El Cordobés lands in a heap and buries his head in his arms as the bull tramples and tries to gore him. The TV replays the scene many times, each time drawing gasps in the bar.

El Cordobés survives and — no surprise — eventually kills the bull. As he makes a victory lap, picking up bouquets tossed by adoring fans, the camera zooms in on the rip exposing his hip and a long bloody wound. The short men around me will remember and talk about this moment for years to come.

I end my walk at the best restaurant in town, where the proud owner, María, tells me about the day's menu. As she pours my wine, I tell her that the man at the next table looks like El Cordobés. One glance and she says, "El Cordobés is much more handsome." When I mention his recent drama, she nods and says, "It's been a difficult year for matadors."

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CELEBRITY TRAVEL

Traveling inspires novelist's writing

By Jae-Ha Kim
Tribune Content Agency



"The Evening Hero" novelist Marie Myung-Ok Lee said that her trip to North Korea was an essential part of her book. **ADRIANNE MATHIOWETZ**

Growing up in rural Minnesota, novelist Marie Myung-Ok Lee wasn't expecting much in terms of learning a foreign language.

"Now when I think of it, I am astonished we had two languages we could take — Spanish and German," said Lee, who teaches fiction at Columbia University in New York. "I took four years of German, which was pretty rigorous. I took French for two years (in college) and spent a summer studying in Paris. I also spent a year in Korea as a Fulbright fellow and took intensive Korean classes so I could take oral histories. Now I speak a bunch of languages half way and mix them all up." Her linguistic skills and travels play a prominent role in her latest novel "The Evening Hero" (Simon & Schuster, $28.99), which centers on a septuagenarian doctor whose past in Korea threatens to upend his perfect American life. This interview was conducted while Lee, who resides in New York with her husband and son, was on her book tour.

Q: How have your travels informed your writing?
A: I am a hands-on researcher for my novels and part of ("The Evening Hero") is about a region in Korea that would become the Demilitarized Zone — where Koreans gave themselves a break from the war and just hung out. Soldiers from both sides — many of whom were just kids — would even play jegichagi (kicking shuttlecock). I had an opportunity as a faculty member at Brown (University) to accompany some students who'd managed to find a Chinese agency that would arrange an academic trip to North Korea. The Exchange Zone as I call it in the novel is based on a real place. It was wonderful to compare it with the place in my imagination.

Q: If you had to cancel travel plans due to the pandemic, where were they to?
A: I was supposed to go to the Vermont Studio Center in Johnson, Vermont, to work on my novel. The weird thing was I was supposed to leave March 14 (2020). On March 13 they were asking me what time I'd be getting in. Then everything was shut down.

Q: Where have you traveled to that most reminded you of home?
A: Seoul actually reminds me of New York because you can get anything you want at any hour. I was just in Kalamazoo for a book event and that reminded me a little of Hibbing, where I grew up in Minnesota — but because of the depressed, post-industrial vibe.

Q: What is your best and/or worst vacation memory?
A: I don't think this is the worst per se but it's the same memory bookended. When I was studying in Paris as a college student, my parents came to visit. I was so excited to show off my knowledge of restaurants. My late father was a fan of fine dining. I looked at everything from the famous La Tour d'Argent to restaurants in the Eiffel Tower. But oddly and disappointingly, my father told me to find a Korean restaurant. Who spends one of their days in Paris at a Korean restaurant? I searched, half hoping there wouldn't be one. But wouldn't you know it? There was a Korean barbecue place. I don't remember anything about the food. But this was before I spoke Korean or knew that much about Korean culture. After traveling for a few weeks in Europe, my father was craving kimchi. Now I see the memory as kind of cool that he had to have his kimchi, even in Paris.

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TRAVEL TROUBLESHOOTER

Agency says confusion led to issue over use of voucher

By Christopher Elliott
King Features Syndicate

Q: I booked three tickets from Charlotte, North Carolina, to Frankfurt on American Airlines from Military Fares. I even bought coverage that allowed me to cancel for any reason and receive a refund.
I received a $2,060 ticket credit that had to be used within a year. But when I tried to use the credit, a Military Fares representative told me I can only use 25% of the future travel credit at a time. So, in other words, I have to spend $10,000 to use my $2,000 credit.
This is insane. I really want my money back or to use 100% of my flight credit toward another trip via their website. Can you help or direct me to someone who might help me? I am so frustrated and can't afford to lose $2,060.
— Melissa Crespo, Wendell, North Carolina

A: I've never heard of a company restricting its ticket credit. So I had to know if this was some kind of new rule designed to extract more money from customers.

"It seems that there was a confusion in reference to the usage of the voucher," a Military Fares spokesman told me. "All our customers at MilitaryFares.com can use any vouchers for its full value amounts and not 25%."

The refund rules vary. If you cancel your flight, you usually can receive a ticket credit. But if the airline cancels, you're entitled to a full refund. You canceled this flight, but you also purchased Military Fares' "No Questions Asked Cancellation Protection." This option allows you "to cancel all or any portion of your order, for any reason, up and until 24 hours before your first travel date and receive a refund with absolutely no questions asked."

There's a catch, though: You have to pay a $100 deductible.

When I reviewed the paper trail between you and Military Fares, I couldn't see anything out of the ordinary. You decided to cancel your flight and asked for a refund, minus the $100. A representative told you in writing that the refund process would take approximately 90 business days "due to the high volume of refund requests." You can thank the pandemic for that.

So what went wrong? It looks like the 90 days turned into a little longer because of a backlog of refund requests.

That led you to conclude that you might never receive your money back, which is an absolutely fair assumption.

I think buying the protection plan was a smart move. Regular travel insurance wouldn't have covered your decision to cancel.

But this protection product offered through Military Fares offered an opportunity for a full refund, minus a deductible. You might have reached out to someone at a higher level at Military Fares (owned by Sky-tours International) to see what's going on.

I reached out to Sky-tours International on your behalf, and it processed your refund.

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MY PET WORLD

Tips for traveling with birds whether by car or plane

By Cathy M. Rosenthal
Tribune Content Agency



If you want to travel with a pet bird, columnist Cathy M. Rosenthal offers tips on how to make the trip go smoothly. DARIUS STRAZDAS/DREAMSTIME

Dear Cathy: We have four birds — two cockatiels, and two domestic doves. We are snowbirds with a summer house in the north and a winter place in the south, so these little guys go everywhere with us. The birds travel very well with us in the car, but it's a long two-day trip both coming and going. We are both licensed pilots and recently bought a small airplane to make the trip quicker. We are worried about the effect of the loud noise and the high altitudes on the birds. Do you have any words of wisdom?

— Monica, Tucson, Arizona

Dear Monica: Your birds should easily adjust to plane travel because they are already so well-traveled via a car. The altitude will be fine. After all, they're birds. But there are things you can do to help them adjust to being a passenger on your flight. Here's my advice, along with some recommendations from my friends at the Parrot Conservation Alliance (PCA) who travel with birds all the time.

First, consider purchasing a travel cage. These cages are often sturdier and have additional locks on the doors and latches on trays to prevent accidental opening during travel. If traveling with a regular cage, secure all doors and trays and consider adding an additional locking mechanism on the door to thwart an especially industrious bird from escaping.

PCA advises removing anything from their cage that has sharp edges or hard parts. Bring along their favorite foods and toys to distract and entertain them. Secure the toys so they won't be jostled around in the cage during the flight.

Once on board the plane, buckle the cage so it can't slide around or go flying into the air if there is a sudden change in altitude. Withhold water until the flight is in progress or use ice cubes in the water dish, but only if you know they know what ice is and are okay with it.

While you can cover the cage to help them rest, not all birds like that, says PCA. You know best if your birds will be less stressed covered or less stressed being able to see what is going on. It's good to bring a cover though for transporting them from the car to the plane and vice versa since airports can be windy places.

During the flight, play their favorite music or sing and talk to them to distract them and keep everything upbeat. Overall, I think your already well-traveled birds will enjoy taking a plane ride.

Dear Cathy: I was appalled by your stance on "rescue" and "adopt" being the same thing. I have been doing adoptions of ferrets for 31 years. The organization takes in ferrets and does adoptions. If anyone were to say they "rescued" the ferret they adopted from us, they would be flogged. There is a clear delineation between rescue, adoption and purchase. Rescue means someone took the animal from someone giving it up or that the animal was taken from the streets. Adoption means that a person has gone to a facility or to an individual that has taken the animal in and goes through a process to see if they are an acceptable candidate to adopt. They pay a fee and off they go. Purchase means the person has gone either to a breeder or a store and picks out an animal, pays for the animal, and goes home with it. Stores don't check who is purchasing the animal. Most breeders want to know something about you before selling you the animal. So, to expand the definition of any of these terms is wrong on your and anyone else's part.

— David, Oceanside, New York

Dear David: While I agree with your definitions, I am willing to accept your public flogging because I think you are missing out on the nuance of the word and the pride it gives to adopters who simply want to be a part of their pet's story. I have worked in animal welfare for 30 years so I understand the effort required to rescue a pet from a hoarder or abusive situation. I am not trying to diminish that work. All your efforts though would be for naught if not for the person who steps up to adopt one of these pets. So, if someone says they "rescued" a pet instead of "adopted" a pet, it tells me that their mindset is on saving pets' lives and that the animal welfare field has done a great job over this last decade connecting rescue work with adoptions.

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Adult sons appear to have forgotten childhood lesson



Judith Martin
Miss Manners

Dear Miss Manners: We have two sons in their 30s who were taught at a young age to say "thank you," and were encouraged to write thank-you notes to the senders of gifts they received. We modeled gratitude in our behavior, as well. Fast-forward to the past few years. They have both moved many states away, so gift-giving is remote and we are rarely present when gifts are received. Sadly for us, we get no acknowledgment or any form of a thank-you.

In every other way, they are loving, caring people. Whenever we receive a gift or card from them, we promptly thank them, whether verbally or in writing. We're really at a loss for what to do. We give gifts with an open hand and have no expectations that they will like the gifts, or even keep them. I honestly don't feel we're giving just to get recognition. Saying something to them about this issue might be misconstrued as us asking for a thank-you, rather than a request to look at the broader issue of being grateful for others' thoughtfulness.

The real issue is that it pains us to think that they are equally ungrateful to others; I would like to encourage them to be grateful in all ways to all people. Do you have a suggestion for broaching this subject in a loving and nonjudgmental way?

Gentle reader: Yes: Feedback. Miss Manners would prefer to frame this issue in terms of gratitude and empathy, but that tends to make people's eyes roll or glaze. Yet they understand feedback, and feel that it would be rude to ignore the self-advertisements of people they have never even met. A photograph of someone's lunch prompts more politeness than — well, actual presents from people they profess to love.

So please tell your sons that you expect feedback, and that they might remember what form you expect that to take. You are not helping by claiming to be nonjudgmental. It is a just judgment to declare that generosity and gratitude are a paired couple, and one must inspire the other, even in regard to parents.

Dear Miss Manners: I lost my beloved sister two years ago to ovarian cancer. Her only child, who came out his freshman year in college, is in a very loving relationship with a wonderful man. They are soon to be married, and of course the family is invited to the wedding, which will be in Washington, D.C.

My husband said at the outset of the relationship that he would never attend a gay wedding. I have no qualms about it; to me, it's all about love. He now says he doesn't want me to go because D.C. is a dangerous place. I feel I should do what I want to do, which is go to this wedding; on the other hand, he will make my life miserable about it for a long time. We have been married for 40 years and he has always pretty much had the last word on everything, but I know I will resent him if I don't go.

Gentle reader: It seems to Miss Manners that either way, there will be resentment. It is unfortunately up to you which form of it is more tolerable.

Miss Manners certainly does not wish to put further strain on your marriage, but she will point out two things: Not going to the wedding may well cause a rift between you and the rest of your family. And as a native and resident of Washington, D.C., herself, she assures you that it is infinitely less dangerous than prejudice and intolerance.

Dear Miss Manners: For most of my life, my mother has had a special endearment that she uses just for me. Her new beau has taken to calling me by this same endearment, and I would prefer that he not. Aside from a harsh-sounding, "Please don't call me that!" how can I politely tell him that I would prefer he use my first name instead?

Gentle reader: There is no cause to be harsh: Having heard you addressed this way, he naturally thought it was your accepted nickname. All that is needed is, "Oh, that's just Mother's pet name for me. Everyone else calls me Daisy."

Dear Miss Manners: When squeezing into a theater row, is it better to put your butt towards the people you are squeezing past, or to awkwardly look them in the eye?

Gentle reader: That's the problem — you would be looking them too closely in the eyes. Miss Manners agrees that the backward approach seems unseemly, even though you will turn your head occasionally to say "Excuse me." So think of it as facing the stage.

To send a question to the Miss Manners team of Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin, go to missmanners.com or write them c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.

Searching for leak-proof swim cap



Ellen Warren
Answer Angel



DREAMSTIME

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I would like to be an avid swimmer as I love the exercise, but unfortunately, time does not permit me to exercise, shower and deal with my hair. If I could find a truly leak-proof swim cap that allowed my tresses to stay dry, it would literally improve my health as I could swim whenever I want. I'm looking for true testimonials as there are lots of products on the market that talk a good game and I've tried most of them.

— Sally A.

And this...

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: Can you help with a swim cap that keeps hair dry? I spend a fortune coloring my hair, and during summer months I swim almost every day, so using a swim cap is required, but my hair is always wet afterward with chlorine water. Help??

— Joyce S.

Dear Sally and Joyce: Spending a chunk of time styling your hair after a swim or bombarding your expensive hair coloring with chlorine are two significant drawbacks of swimming — which otherwise is a terrific aerobic exercise, without impact on your joints. My working premise is that no swim cap exists that truly keeps your hair dry. I've found that the difference among swim cap styles and brands is the difference between wet hair and wetter hair. I would love to be proved wrong. So I'm answering your very good question with a question. Readers, tell me I'm all wet: Has anyone found a swim cap that truly keeps your hair dry?

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: My young adult son gave me grief when I showed up in some Adidas track pants (which spelled out Adidas on the left pocket in pretty big letters) and Nike running shoes (with the trademark Swoosh on the side). He tells me that mixing "street wear" brands is "lame." Is it?

— Chris K.

Dear Chris: Pleeeze. Emphatically not. Only in small circles (of hypebeasts) is this brand mixing considered a big no. FYI: A hypebeast is a person, usually male, who collects and knows a startling amount about certain clothing — especially athletic shoe styles. In contrast, mixing $$ labels like Gucci with Prada or Louis Vuitton with Chanel is not only high fashion but much endorsed by fashion blogs, magazines, the hypebeast community and online "influencers." I guess the idea is, "If you've got the money, flaunt it?" Not my style and probably not yours either. Stop fretting. Your son will get over your alleged faux pas.

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Michele S. writes, "Dryer sheets for hair static. I have thin, straight hair. Putting a dryer sheet over the brush bristles cuts the static. I don't know if that works on frizz though." From Ellen: From sad experience, this is not the answer to frizzy hair. I'm always on the lookout for fresh finds to tame the frizz.

Angelic readers 2

Valerie S. has this tip for Alice S., who complained that she can't open childproof caps: "I have recently found that if you turn the childproof cap upside down it will fit right into the pill container. It pops right off when you need your pills. This might be preferable to requesting non-childproof caps." (This works on some prescription containers but not all so check with your pharmacy.) Diane S. loves Flip-It caps (flipitcap.com, $8 and up). (Various styles don't work on some containers so read the fine print before purchase.) And Patty S. says, "I get all of my maintenance medication via mail order at a much lower price than I can get at my local pharmacy. The mail order company told me they are not allowed, via postal regulations, to send medication through the mail with non-childproof caps. So there's that."

Reader rant

Pat S. asks, "Why do manufacturers insist on adding unnecessary drawstrings to pull-on pants — particularly since they're already elasticized. They only add bulk. Thanks for listening." From Ellen: The drawstrings make the pants more adjustable if the elastic waist is still too big. Perhaps more important, drawstrings, even nonfunctioning ones, add a sporty look to pants that otherwise might be viewed as dowdy.

Now it's your turn

Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to answerangelellen@gmail.com.

CELEBRITIES

‘Squid Game’s’ Lee debuts as director

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press



Lee Jung-jae is seen on May 19 at the Cannes Film Festival, where his spy thriller “Hunt” premiered. **JOEL RYAN/INVISION**

Lee Jung-jae, the award-winning star of Netflix’s “Squid Game,” spent years developing the 1980s-set Korean spy thriller “Hunt” before electing to direct himself. He did it a little reluctantly, without big plans to continue filmmaking. But Lee did have a vision for what it could be — and where it could premiere.

“Before deciding to direct, I thought I just wanted to make a very fun film,” Lee says. “After I got my hands on it and started writing the script myself, I actually wanted to come to Cannes. Because I wanted to come to Cannes, I had to find the subject matter that would resonate with the global audience.”

Few actors know more about capturing the attention of the global audience than Lee. Already one of Korea’s top movie stars, Lee, 49, is at the nexus of the “Squid Game” phenomenon, starring in the dystopic series that became Netflix’s most-watched show in some 90 countries.

Lee was in Cannes recently to premiere “Hunt,” which will test how far Lee can further extend his already borderless career.

“Working in Hollywood would definitely be a good experience for me,” Lee said recently in Cannes. “If there was a good fit for me, a good character, I’d definitely like to join. But right now, I feel like global audiences are wanting more Korean content and Korea-made TV shows and films. So I would work in Korea as well very diligently. I might seem a little greedy, but if there was a role for me in Hollywood, I’d definitely like to do that, too.”

But if Lee’s ascension to being an increasingly world-renowned actor typifies the pop-culture power of today’s Korea, his film is set in an earlier, less harmonious chapter in Korean history. “Hunt” takes place several years after South Korean president Park Chung-hee was assassinated in 1979 by the chief of the Korean Central Intelligence Agency, a coup that ushered in the military dictatorship of Chun Doo-hwan. “Hunt” is loosely inspired by his subsequent 1983 assassination attempt orchestrated by North Korea.

“Hunt” grippingly follows a pair of agents (one is played by Lee, the other by Jung Woo-sung) who are both assigned to uncover a North Korean mole within the agency. Lee proves skilled at mounting large-scale action sequences and marshaling a dense plot while managing to keep the suspense up.

Lee is often asked how his life has changed since “Squid Game” by Western journalists who might be less familiar with his nearly three decades as a top star in Korea in films like “An Affair,” “New World” and “The Housemaid.”

Lee laughs. “It’s natural because a lot of people in the West might not have known me before ‘Squid Game.’ ”

That’s changing rapidly, though. Lee will return for season two of “Squid Game,” which the series’ creator Hwang Dong-hyuk recently said should be expected in 2023 or 2024.

May 29 birthdays: Actor Anthony Geary is 75. Singer Rebbie Jackson is 72. Singer LaToya Jackson is 66. Actor Annette Bening is 64. Actor Rupert Everett is 63. Singer Melissa Etheridge is 61. Guitarist Noel Gallagher is 55. Actor Laverne Cox is 50. Singer Melanie Brown is 47. Actor Brandon Mychal Smith is 33.



ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson
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Texts from daughter’s youth group bug mom

Dear Amy: I have a 12-year-old daughter who belongs to a youth group at church. When she joined, the leaders asked for her cell number so they could contact her about activities.

Our daughter does not have a cellphone because we believe she is too young. The leaders then added my cell number (without my permission).

They send out a couple of text messages each week, which then end up with 15 to 20 replies because the girls use it to comment, talk, joke, etc.

Each time this happens, I ask the leaders to remove my number, which they do, and then a few weeks later I am back on their list and getting the texts again.

I have complained and asked them to stop adding me, but their most recent reply was that this is how they communicate, and they are concerned that my daughter will miss out.

Their activities are weekly and are always held at the same time.

My daughter has not missed out yet, and I am getting frustrated with having my cellphone blow up every time they start a new chain.

How do I get these leaders to show some common text courtesy without pulling my daughter from a group of friends she wants to be with?

— *Fed Up*

Dear Fed Up: Given that this is the way they notify the group about meetings, it seems prudent for you to receive texts from the youth leaders. You might want to hand your phone to your daughter for a period of time so she can participate in these conversations — or at least to confirm that she has received the message.

You have many options. You could “block” the originating phone number (and you would not receive any calls or texts from the number).

It is very easy to turn off notifications altogether (the texts will arrive, but your phone won’t ping or vibrate); you can also “mute” texts from a specific phone number.

You could also receive the first text, take in the information, and then “leave the conversation” by clicking on that option.

Ways to perform these functions vary based on the kind of phone you use. Use an internet search to see how to reset the notifications on your specific phone.

Dear Amy: My wife and I were invited to my youngest brother’s wedding.

Due to a major age difference between us, we’ve never been close.

There’s no animosity or issues, we’re just borderline strangers to one another.

If we decline the invite, my father will be extremely upset.

In order to avoid that, my wife and I have decided that we’ll attend the ceremony and leave before the reception.

My question is: How do we RSVP in this situation?

We’re not attending the reception, and I don’t want them to waste money buying us a dinner we won’t be there to eat.

It may even open up a couple more spaces at the reception for friends with whom the couple is better acquainted.

Thoughts?

— *Elder Brother*

Dear Elder: You state that you are not close to this brother, but only because of the age gap between you. And now this family member has invited you to celebrate an important milestone in his life.

The way to get close is to show up for him, to become acquainted with his wife and her family, and to meet their friends.

You don’t seem to want to do any of this, however, and so you should respond: “My wife and I will be at the ceremony, but unfortunately we will have to leave before the reception. We hope you have a great time, and wish you all the very best for a wonderful celebration.”

Dear Amy: “From the Heartland” wondered how to respond to her fat-shaming friends.

Due to a chronic illness, I am underweight at 5-foot-3 and a hundred pounds.

Several years ago, I was with my sister-in-law at a restaurant. I ordered soup.

The server commented, “Sure, skinny-mini will just have soup.” To this day, I regret not speaking with her supervisor.

— *Donna in Colorado*

Dear Donna: I hope your response is posted on employee bulletin boards: It is never appropriate to comment on a person’s body.

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Aries (March 21-April 19): You might be inspired to take action that seems a bit risky. Even if you appear impulsive to others, there’s probably a subtle logic under the surface of your plans. You have enough of an internal authority that you don’t need to get approval from someone.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Telling others about something you would ordinarily keep to yourself may seem urgent today. Fortunately, you’re also equipped to explain such matters more articulately than usual. Focus on the most important parts of your story, and work in additional details as they come up.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Stirring the pot to get attention on social media might be hard to resist today. In your desire to be at the center of an exciting conversation, it could be tempting to spill a secret that you know people would find interesting to hear. Just be sure that any story you share is truly yours to tell.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): You may be ready to make a big push toward a professional goal of yours now. Talking things through with friends or colleagues could help you clarify your strategy. Keep an eye out for developments in a relationship that will be significant going forward.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Advocating for your beliefs may be important today. However, your argument could become public. Though displaying emotions when you’re passionate isn’t wrong, make sure that the potential results of launching a full-force attack are worth the judgment you might receive for doing so.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A financial opportunity might present itself to you now, but understanding what to do about it could be the hard part. Admitting what you don’t know is the first step to filling the gaps in your knowledge. You’re likely to find the information you need — so don’t hold back.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It may be clear to you at the moment that you’re able to get more done with someone else. While you might be enthusiastic to get moving, be sure to discuss the boundaries of whatever you plan to do. Any details that are glossed over now could come back to haunt you later, so push yourself to be patient.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You could be talked into something health-related today. Though you may be interested in making changes to your habits, you don’t have to accept the first piece of advice you receive. Keep looking until you find a plan that resonates with you.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Enjoying yourself could be a high priority for you today. However, it might be hard to shut off the mental clutter. If you’ve got big plans that just can’t wait, outsourcing a few petty tasks may be worth whatever you have to pay to do so. That should free you up to sink more thoroughly into pleasure.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may currently have the energy to take on a home improvement project you’ve been putting off. That said, it’s important to make sure that your surroundings express your personal tastes. Use your brawn to accomplish the big stuff, but use your brain to get the details right.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A neighborhood frustration could take on an intense level of importance for you today. Before you charge down the block to knock on a door and complain, step back for a moment to figure out why you’re so upset. Focus on the elements of your security that are more easily within your control.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Feeling confident about your finances can help you make good decisions now. Even so, be careful how you discuss money matters, as a conversation you think is private could turn out to be public. Focus on organizing your thoughts and taking action.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

On May 29, 1790, Rhode Island became the 13th original colony to ratify the Constitution.

In 1953, Mount Everest was conquered as Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tensing Norgay of Nepal became the first to reach the summit.

In 1977, Janet Guthrie became the first woman to race in the Indianapolis 500, finishing in 29th place.

In 1988, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev opened their historic summit in Moscow.

In 2019, in his first public remarks on the Russia investigation, special counsel Robert Mueller emphasized that the investigation did not exonerate the president.

In 2020, fired Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin was arrested and charged with third-degree murder and second-degree manslaughter in the death of George Floyd.

LAST WEEK’S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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SCRABBLEGRAMS

T1	W4	E1	E1	D2	L1	E1	RACK 1 = 69
Y4	O1	U1	T1	H4	E1	N1	RACK 2 = 76
U1	N1	O1	W4	N1	E1	D2	RACK 3 = 61
O1	P3	A1	Q10	U1	E1		RACK 4 = 17
O1	R1	P3	H4	A1	N1	S1	RACK 5 = 62

PAR SCORE 220-230 TOTAL 285

SUDOKU

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BOGGLE BRAIN BUSTERS!

FIG DATE LIME
PEAR LEMON PEACH
APPLE APRICOT

JUMBLE

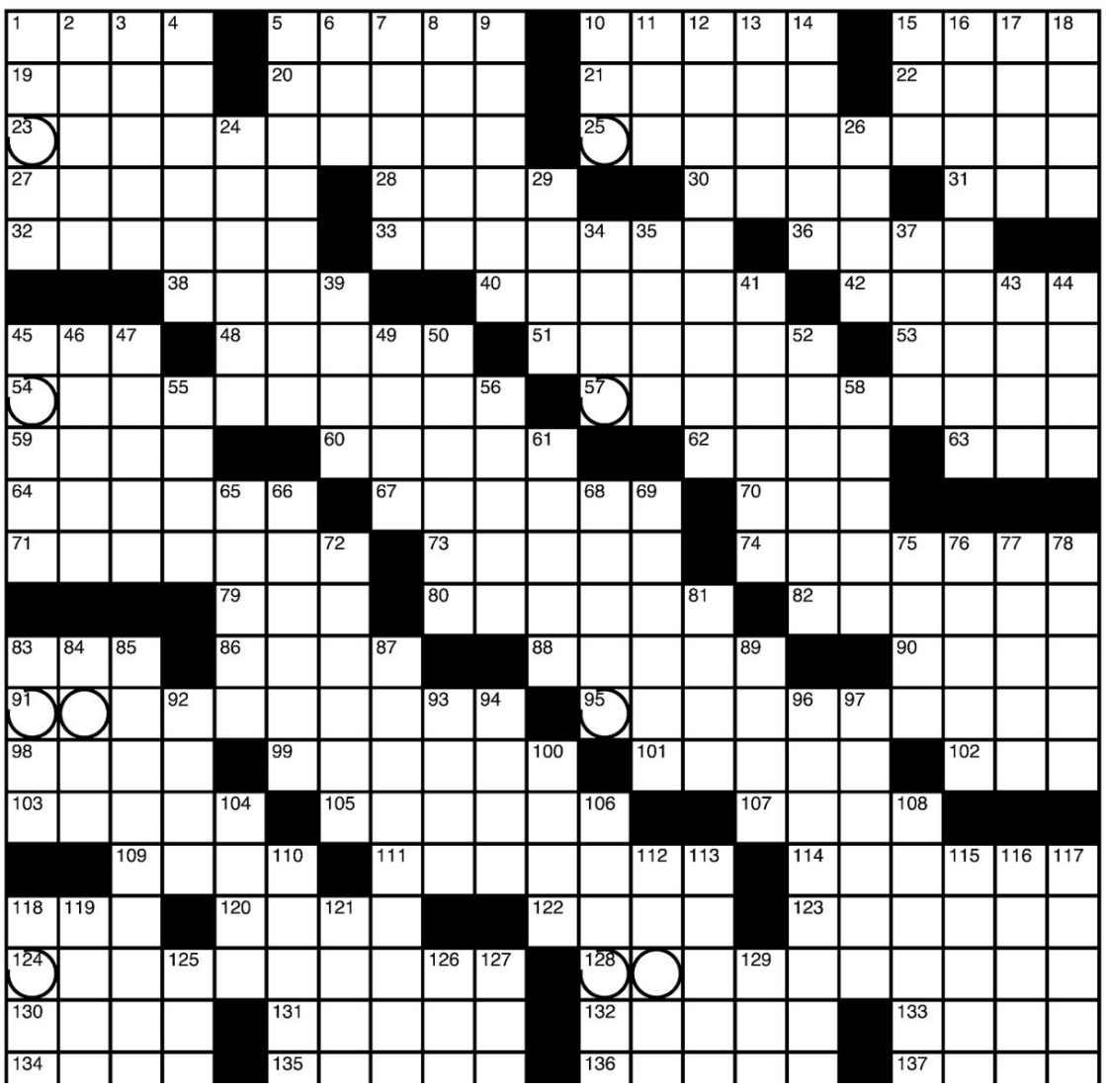
TETHER SPLASH
FORGET GASKET
ATRIUM HIATUS

The books near the top of the bookcase had —

HIGH “SHELF”-ESTEEM

Day Trading

By David Alfred Bywaters



Across
1. Prepare for parking or driving
5. Stared open-mouthed
10. Liabilities
15. Did laps
19. Mountain goat
20. Not out of contention yet
21. Word for a lei-person?
22. "Hmm ... I doubt that"
23. First the chardonnay, then the merlot, then the cabernet?
25. Invisible walls?
27. Be there for
28. Sandler of "Uncut Gems"
30. Brewpub pour
31. Ran across
32. Mystical gathering
33. Felt hats
36. Has a good cry
38. Vocal quality
40. Land
42. Imitate a horse
45. Place for a deep-tissue massage
48. Hands out cards
51. Unwrapped with enthusiasm
53. Land parcel
54. Inept caner's resource?
57. Meteorology lectures?
59. Voting no
60. Fleet parts
62. Have followers
63. British co.
64. Fair shelters
67. Cookbook offering
70. WSJ headline topic
71. Watches on Hulu, say
73. Like farmers' market veggies
74. River through Reno
79. __ and vigor
80. Intervene
82. Quick post office run, say
83. Subj. for a non-native speaker
86. Ear-related
88. "Time is money" or "money is power"
90. Greek Cupid
91. Bungalow owner's challenge to a roofer?
95. Makes doubly sure everyone's in on the joke?
98. World Baseball Classic team
99. Came off as
101. Chopper blade
102. Org. followed by "puckheads"
103. Outkast hit single
105. Touch-screen gestures
107. Puts into words
109. CrossFit sets
111. Embassy employee
114. Snap, crackle, and pop
118. Sashimi choice
120. Ticket remnant
122. Revived villain in Domino's ads, with "the"
123. Food critic Hines whose name is on cake mixes
124. Appreciative sound from the alumni luxury box?
128. Water cooler?
130. Midrange voice
131. Wide-awake
132. Chocolate source
133. Region
134. Cheers
135. Lasagna staple
136. Part of a protected URL
137. Office surface

Down
1. Fillable flatbreads
2. Taper off
3. Roman goddess of the hearth
4. Range
5. Person who makes beds?
6. European mountain
7. Rice dish
8. Get around
9. "Gracias" response
10. Beaver creation
11. Pharmaceutical giant __ Lilly
12. 2019 film starring Charlize Theron as Megyn Kelly
13. "Good News" rapper Megan __ Stallion
14. BOGO events
15. Dim __
16. Amusingly capricious
17. Upfront stake
18. More than half
24. Provide privacy protection, in a way
26. Remove wrinkles from
29. Slip some skin
34. Laugh-a-minute sort
35. Taj Mahal site
37. "The Martian" actor Sean
39. Has for lunch
41. "Here!"
43. Determination
44. Do the impossible with cats, proverbially
45. DNA lab items
46. Wine grape
47. One in a cast
49. Cowardly Lion portrayer
50. Pitches to customers
52. Term with a check mark on an airport sign
55. Beach toy for a windy day
56. Florida theme park with a geodesic dome
58. Poorly ventilated theatre phenomenon
61. Command to an attack dog
65. Utter chaos
66. Metalworkers
68. Green-skinned tropical fruit
69. Cure-all mixture
72. Wallops, quaintly
75. All hands on deck
76. "Pieces of Her" novelist Slaughter
77. "How to Get Away With Murder" actor Alfred __
78. Unsuccessful Ford model
81. Spanish boy
83. Mark for good
84. Actress Elisabeth
85. Maze
87. Pills for pets, often
89. NYSE, NASDAQ, etc.
92. Diggs of "Empire"
93. "There's no one else"
94. Labor Day mo.
96. Scoundrels
97. Experiment with
100. Academic VIP
104. Cathedral alcove
106. Single-malt pour
108. Storied sailor
110. Backpack holder
112. Drum kit cymbals
113. Official mandate
115. Induce fear in
116. Makes less harsh
117. Be sly
118. Way off
119. Polynesian dance
121. Golden St. campus
125. Haircuts
126. Fine print, e.g.
127. Sch. group
129. Flo Milli's music genre

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SCRABBLEGRAMS

Directions: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All words are in the Official SCRABBLE Players Dictionary, 4th Edition.

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E1	E1	U1	Y4	T1	H4	S1	2nd Letter Double
E1	I1	O1	T1	R1	T1	M3	

RACK 1 | RACK 2 | RACK 3 | RACK 4 | RACK 5

PAR SCORE 265-275
BEST SCORE 344

FIVE RACK TOTAL ___
TIME LIMIT: 25 MIN

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JUMBLE

By Jeff Knurek and David L. Hoyt
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Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

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SYPRAT



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SUDOKU

By The Mepham Group

To play: Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

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BOGGLE BRAIN BUSTERS!

By David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Instructions: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter box once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

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O	E	N	I	M
S	T	C	A	L
E	E	W	E	F
G	R	P	S	I

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- 0-10 = Try again

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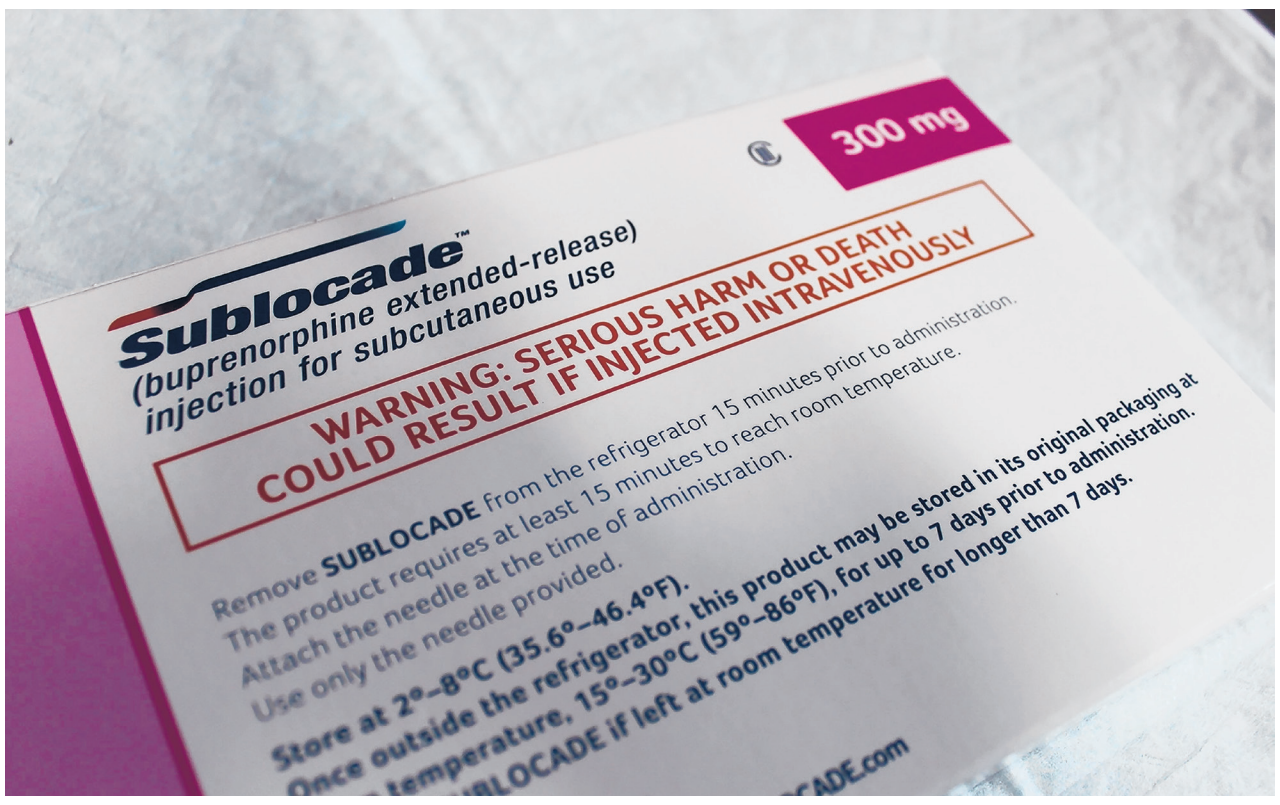
Find AT LEAST SIX WATER-LOVING BIRDS in the grid of letters.

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LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS, D6

Monthly injections a 'game changer' for addicts

By Jenny Gold
Kaiser Health News



An injectable form of buprenorphine, sold under the brand name Sublocade, provides patients with a month's worth of addiction treatment. Oral versions of the drug must be taken every day. **JENNY GOLD/KAISER HEALTH NEWS**

OAKLAND, Calif. — Dr. Andrew Herring has a clear goal walking into every appointment with patients seeking medication to treat an opioid use disorder: persuade them to get an injection of extended-release buprenorphine.

At his addiction clinic at Highland Hospital, a bustling public facility in the heart of Oakland, Herring promotes administering a shot of buprenorphine in the belly to provide a month of addiction treatment rather than prescribing oral versions that must be taken daily. For him, the shots' longer-acting protection is a "game changer" and may be his only chance to help a vulnerable patient at risk of overdose.

"At any point in time, they're just a balloon that's going to go," Herring said. "You might only have this one interaction. And the question is, how powerful can you make it?"

In California, where overdose deaths have been rising for years, addiction experts say administering a month's worth of anti-addiction medication holds great potential, particularly for people without housing or who struggle with other forms of instability. Yet despite its promise, the use of injectable buprenorphine remains fairly limited, especially compared with other forms of addiction medication. Researchers have yet to publish studies comparing different ways to administer buprenorphine.

Buprenorphine, one of three medications approved in the U.S. to treat opioid use disorder, works by binding to opioid receptors in the brain and reducing cravings and withdrawal symptoms. And because it occupies those receptor sites, buprenorphine keeps other opioids from binding and ensures that if a patient takes a high dose of a drug like heroin or fentanyl, they are less likely to overdose. Patients often stay on buprenorphine for years.

If Herring prescribes a supply of buprenorphine as a tablet or film that is placed under the tongue, the patient must commit to taking the medication at least once a day, and many fall out of treatment. He said this is especially true for his patients experiencing homelessness and those who also use methamphetamine.

"It's like a religious thing — you have to wake up every morning and repeat your vows," said Herring. "In reality, there are a lot of people who deserve treatment who can't meet that requirement."

Oral forms of buprenorphine have been available to treat addiction since 2002 and can be purchased as a generic for less than $100 a month. Injectable buprenorphine, sold under the brand name Sublocade, received FDA approval in 2017. It has a hefty list price of $1,829.05 for a monthly injection. The drugmaker Indivior reported $244 million in revenue from Sublocade last year alone, with a company goal to eventually make $1 billion in annual sales. No generic or competing version of the drug is available.

Most patients won't pay full price, Indivior says, because most health plans cover the drug. Physicians, however, say the high cost can be a barrier for patients with private health plans, which sometimes resist covering the medication. Medi-Cal, California's health insurance program for low-income people, covers Sublocade without prior authorization, making the treatment accessible to the majority of Herring's patients.

Still, addiction experts say, Sublocade use remains limited because of the regulatory hurdles required to dispense it.

Providers must register with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and obtain a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine because it's considered a controlled substance. In addition, clinics must complete an FDA safety certification program to dispense the medication. And Sublocade can be ordered only by a specialty pharmacy, which must also pass the FDA program.

"At many hospitals, that will mean either a delay in getting this medication on our shelves or just opting out," said Dr. Rais Vohra, regional director for the California Bridge Network, a state-funded program that supports hospitals in offering treatment for substance use disorders.

Vohra said Community Regional Medical Center in Fresno, where he works as an emergency physician, is still looking through the documentation requirements to see if the hospital's pharmacy can distribute the medication.

Oral buprenorphine, by contrast, is a simple prescription that most drugstores keep in stock.

"All the hoops that clinicians and patients have to jump through to get this medication is crazy. We don't do that for any other disease," said Dr. Hannah Snyder, who runs the addiction clinic at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital.

Several clinicians noted that access remains a problem even with oral forms of buprenorphine. Despite a cascade of studies proving the effectiveness of medication-assisted treatment, many patients across the country struggle to find a provider willing to prescribe buprenorphine in any form — especially in communities of color.

"The most important question isn't whether long-acting injectable bupe is a better solution than sublingual buprenorphine for opioid use disorder," said Dr. Michael Ostacher, a professor at Stanford University School of Medicine, who is comparing injectable and oral versions of buprenorphine through Veterans Affairs. "The bigger question is how we increase access to treatment for all people who need (the medication)."

Angela Griffiths is among the patients who say Sublocade has changed their lives. Griffiths, 41, of San Francisco, used heroin for 18 years. When she was pregnant with her daughter in 2016, doctors put her on methadone, which made her feel "miserable." Three years ago, she said, she switched to buprenorphine films, but carrying the strips with her everywhere still made her feel tied to her addiction.

When doctors at the SF General clinic switched her to monthly Sublocade injections, she described the change as "extraordinary."

"I'm not reaching for my drawer anymore for a fix," she said. "I have the freedom to wake up and start my day however I want, whether it's to go to the patio and drink a cup of coffee or to snuggle with my daughter in bed a little longer. It's there; I don't have to take anything."

In states where Medicaid plans may still require prior authorization, waits for Sublocade can stretch into months. At the Northern Nevada Hopes clinic in Reno, Nevada, for example, Dr. Taylor Tomlinson said she tells patients that between battles for coverage and pharmacy delays, they might have to wait two months for an injection.

"I'm always going to offer it to a patient who I think would be a good candidate, but in the time they have to wait, they get interested in other things," said Tomlinson. "It creates a barrier to care."

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Beet juice worked wonders for one reader who exercises

By Joe Graedon, M.S., and Teresa Graedon, Ph.D.
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Beet root juice rich in nitrate can lower systolic high blood pressure. **DREAMSTIME**

Q: I began exercising vigorously to lower high blood pressure. I read a university study showing that beet juice increased athletic performance up to 15% over the previous best performance in elite athletes.
The maximum benefit was 2.5 hours after drinking the juice.
I'm an old lady rather than an elite athlete, but I began following the study protocol. Soon I lost 25 pounds without dieting, was able to achieve dead lifts at 100 pounds and barbell squats with 65 pounds.
Also, I read that beet juice lowers blood pressure, and it lowered mine much more than medication.
The nitrate in the juice gradually relaxes blood vessels; muscles get more oxygen, increasing strength and endurance.
I chop raw beets, blend them with water and slowly drink a cup about two hours before I head to the gym.
A: We are impressed with your exercise program. You are probably aware that resistance training like weightlifting can reduce arterial stiffness (Journal of Clinical Medicine, Aug. 7, 2021).

That, in turn, helps with blood pressure control.

A recent review of seven randomized controlled trials shows that beet root juice rich in nitrate lowers systolic high blood pressure (Frontiers in Nutrition, March 15, 2022).

That's the first, or higher, number in a blood pressure reading. The diastolic pressure did not change when volunteers consumed beet juice.

Q: My favorite home remedy is plantain for bee stings. Just take a leaf, chew it up (or instruct the person with a bee sting to chew it without swallowing it) and put the resulting paste on the bee sting. The pain will go away almost immediately. A good garden has lots of bees, and they don't like large numbers of people in their space.
A: Thanks for sharing this remedy. There are several species of plantain (Plantago sp.) that grow like weeds in North American gardens. According to a Kaiser Permanente website, a poultice of Plantago leaves might be a useful remedy for insect bites. The German Commission E, which has evaluated evidence for herbal medicines, approved its topical use for skin inflammation. We should emphasize that this is the green weed plantain, not the green banana (Musa x paradisiaca), also called plantain.

Q: As a cardiologist, I am outraged that there is a critical shortage of contrast media for heart CT scans. We use this during coronary angiograms to visualize arteries and see where there may be blockages. It tells whether a patient needs surgery or stents and also helps us see if there are blood clots in the lungs. All of these require urgent treatment, so not having contrast puts lives at risk. A country that can't manage access to such essential medications is sick!
A: The United States is highly dependent on foreign suppliers for indispensable medical supplies, including the iodine solution that provides contrast on CT scans. In the most recent shortage, a factory in Shanghai, China, shut down to slow the spread of COVID-19. As a result, hospitals in the U.S. are running out. Unfortunately, drug shortages are not rare events. Even before the pandemic, many health care systems reported difficulties accessing critical medications. Without significant changes in the way we manage our supply chains, shortages are likely to continue.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.

Q&A

Do I need congenital heart disease revision surgery?

Mayo Clinic


DREAMSTIME

Q: I have a congenital heart defect and my initial surgery at 32 was complicated. I continue to have heart problems. At my last visit, my cardiologist said I would likely need another surgery. I'm afraid to have another procedure. How do I know if I need one, and why would a revision be needed?
A: Patients with moderate to high complexity congenital heart disease often undergo multiple interventions. Not knowing what condition you have, many patients with diagnoses such as tetralogy of Fallot, truncus arteriosus, certain aortic arch abnormalities, some cases of Ebstein anomaly and others, will need to have several surgical or catheter-based procedures that are typically palliative. These patients may require frequent follow-up visits to gauge the timing of any additional future intervention.

Some of the most common reasons patients might need a revision include repairs that involve conduits, baffles or bioprosthetic valves, as they tend to degenerate with time. These patients may require replacement or repair in the future, which may be surgical or catheter-based, such as balloon angioplasty, stenting, coiling or valve replacement. Other common complication after congenital cardiac surgery that may require an intervention include rhythm problems that may require a consultation with a cardiologist with expertise in rhythm problems.

It is important for patients with congenital heart disease to follow with a cardiologist with expertise in adult congenital heart disease. Congenital heart disease is now a board-certified subspecialty of cardiology, and physicians with this training would be most familiar with the sequelae and long-term complications of repaired congenital heart disease.

This would be best accomplished in a large, high-volume tertiary medical care center that would have a multidisciplinary team that can provide optimal care for all their medical needs. That means you would want to consider a health care facility that has an integrated team of cardiac surgeons, cardiac anesthesia specialists, geneticists, maternal fetal medicine experts, heart failure and transplant specialists, cardiac imaging specialists, interventional cardiologists, electrophysiologists and pulmonary hypertension specialists. Certain complications may affect congenital heart patients, but the symptoms are not obvious until these patients require advanced heart failure therapy or transplant.

Most patients Mayo Clinic follows with complex congenital heart disease have had multiple surgeries or interventions. Proceeding with an intervention is not taken lightly and such a decision needs to be individualized. Symptoms are important ways the body alerts you to an abnormality, and these symptoms should be assessed quickly. However, I would recommend not relying on symptoms, as some significant abnormalities may not cause obvious cardiac signs or symptoms early on. For example, patients with repaired tetralogy of Fallot may have severe pulmonary valve leakiness but feel well and not show any symptoms until the valve leakiness causes heart rhythm disturbances or significant dilation and dysfunction of the right ventricle. This damage can be irreversible.

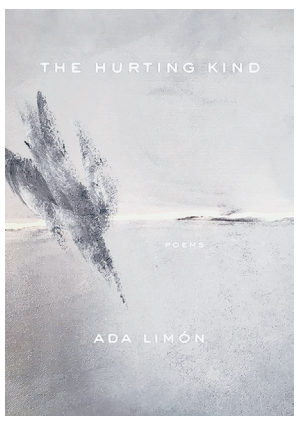
It is an excellent idea to seek a second or additional opinion, and feel comfortable with your care team — and develop rapport and trust. Your congenital care team needs to be easily accessible for questions, education and follow-up. It is important for patients with congenital heart disease to be enlightened about their condition and the need of lifelong congenital cardiac follow-up. — *David Majdalany, M.D., Cardiovascular Disease, Mayo Clinic, Scottsdale, Arizona*

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Limon is 'just telling somebody something'

Professional poet draws on details of natural world in 6th book

By Elizabeth A. Harris
The New York Times



'The Hurting Kind'
By Ada Limon; Milkweed Editions, 128 pages, $22.

Ada Limon is a professional poet: She does not support herself with a teaching position, has no day job or independent wealth. She is a poet who makes a living off her poetry.

She recognizes this makes her something of a unicorn.

"If you tell people you're a poet, people think you're off your rocker," she said. At certain points in her life, "it felt like telling someone I was a witch or something."

She manages this career, in part, by embracing poetry as a form that is meant to be not just quietly read but also performed aloud. A former theater major who gets a charge out of performing, she earns much of her income by giving frequent readings and hosting a poetry podcast called "The Slowdown," in which she shares the work of other poets.

She also reads aloud as she writes.

"I could never be a writer who works in coffee shops, because I have to read a lot," she said. "I say it out loud ... and then I say it again and again. If someone heard it, they'd be like, 'I am so sick of this poem!'"

She is now on tour for her sixth book, "The Hurting Kind," which draws on details of the natural world, often to illuminate the complexities of family, memory and longing.

Limon, 46, lives in Lexington, Kentucky, with her husband, Lucas Marquardt; their pug, Lily Bean; and a cat named Olive.

Limon, who is funny on social media and in her poems, is a riot in person.

Marquardt said she is funniest when at home, just sitting on the couch. "The conversations she has with the dog, or in the dog's voice, are golden," he said.

Limon used to have a more traditional job. Born and raised in Northern California, she came to New York City to get her Master of Fine Arts in poetry at New York University and stayed, taking a position in the marketing department of Conde Nast, which publishes magazines such as Vogue, Vanity Fair and The New Yorker.

She published three books while living and working in New York City, and her immediate colleagues were very supportive, toasting her first poem in The New Yorker with Champagne. Although she was finding success as a poet, she still dedicated most of her time to her magazine jobs.

Then, in 2010, Limon's stepmother died of colon cancer at age 51. The loss made her ask, if she only had 20 years left, what would she want to do with her time?

The answer, she found, was to become a full-time writer. She gave up her career in marketing, took her savings and moved — first to Northern California, then to Kentucky, to join Marquardt, who was then her boyfriend.

"My neighbors are much more interested in how my backyard trees are doing or if I've seen the fox, or whether anything blew over in the windstorm last night," she said, "than if I have a poem in The New Yorker."

She had assumed that writing full-time would mean writing fiction, she said. She'd spend most of her days pretending to be other people, and then she'd write poems that allowed her to be herself. In the process, she said, she was more tender and vulnerable than she'd been in her poetry before.

"Bright Dead Things," the first book she wrote after leaving New York, was born of a failed novel, she said, and that was the book that really started to change things for Limon. A finalist for the National Book Award and the National Book Critics Circle Award, it has now sold more than 40,000 copies.

It sold to her publisher, Milkweed Editions, for $500, she said.

Her next book, "The Carrying," was an improvement, she said. "I was actually able to buy my car. It was used, but I was able to buy a Mazda hatchback, and it was from my book money."

"The Carrying" is perhaps her most personal and unguarded collection, touching on aging parents and chronic pain. (Limon has scoliosis.) She also writes about infertility.

"I am very much myself on the page, and I like that about my work," Limon said. "But in so doing, sometimes people think that they know me intimately." On occasion, she said, she'll be talking to a person for five minutes before she realizes they've never met.

Now, both writing and performing are vital to her work, she said, and she is always thinking about the musicality of the words as she writes. But the woman who shows up onstage is "utterly antithetical" to the poet who dreams up the work.

"My poet self is super spacey, can't hold a conversation," she said, laughing. "That is the person who's wandering off and saying, 'Oh, how long have I been in the backyard? I've been watching the birds for three hours.'"

When she turns on the performer, however, "I get there five minutes early, I make sure that I eat something," she said. "I bring my Type A."

In her most recent book, she said, she was interested in things that can go on without her — the book has four sections, each named for a season.

The collection is dedicated to her stepfather, Brady T. Brady, who is one of her early readers, along with a small group of poets including Jennifer L. Knox and Matthew Zapruder.

Brady went from high school to fighting in the infantry in Vietnam and never studied poetry. But his guidance of her writing has been valuable since she was a child, Limon said.

Once, when she was 15, she called him at work to read a poem she had written.

"I started reading it in this very poetic voice, and he was like: 'Wait, no,'" she said. "'Just read it to me like you're telling me something.' And I read it that way, in my natural voice, and then he could hear it.

"That really has stuck with me. I love to perform, and all that stuff is great — but remember that it's also just telling somebody something."

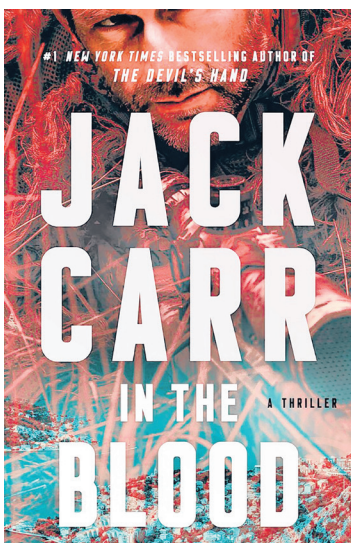


Ada Limon, seen May 4 at her Kentucky home, earns much of her income by giving frequent readings and hosting a poetry podcast, "The Slowdown." **CARLA CIUFFO/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

NATIONAL BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. "In the Blood: A Thriller" by Jack Carr (Atria/Bestler) *Last week: —*



2. "22 Seconds" by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro (Little, Brown) *Last week: 1*

3. "This Time Tomorrow" by Emma Straub (Riverhead) *Last week: —*

4. "Dream Town" by David Baldacci (Grand Central) *Last week: 3*

6. "The Summer Place" by Jennifer Weiner (Atria) *Last week: 2*

7. "Something Wilder" by Christina Lauren (Gallery) *Last week: —*

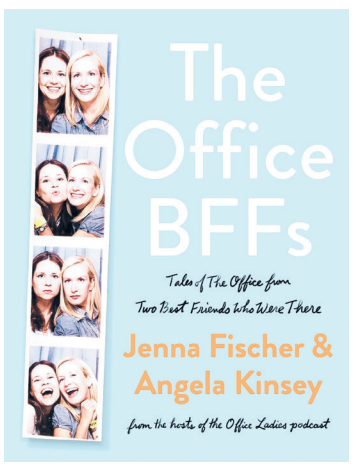
8. "Book of Night" by Holly Black (Tor) *Last week: 6*

9. "The Island" by Adrian McKinty (Little, Brown) *Last week: —*

10. "The Paris Apartment" by Lucy Foley (Morrow) *Last week: 9*

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. "The Office BFFs: Tales of The Office from Two Best Friends Who Were There" by Jenna Fischer and Angela Kinsey (Dey Street) *Last week: —*



2. "Mordenkainen Presents: Monsters of the Multiverse" (Wizards of the Coast) *Last week: —*

3. "Endure: How to Work Hard, Outlast, and Keep Hammering" by Cameron Hanes (St. Martin's) *Last week: —*

4. "Killing the Killers: The Secret War Against Terrorists (Bill O'Reilly's Killing Series)" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard (St. Martin's) *Last week: 1*

5. "Phil: The Rip-Roaring (and Unauthorized!) Biography of Golf's Most Colorful Superstar" by Alan Shipnuck (Avid Reader) *Last week: —*

6. "Finding Me" by Viola Davis (HarperOne) *Last week: 2*

7. "River of the Gods: Genius, Courage, and Betrayal in the Search for the Source of the Nile" by Candice Millard (Doubleday) *Last week: —*

8. "Why I Stand" by Jonathan Isaac (DW) *Last week: —*

9. "Atlas of the Heart: Mapping Meaningful Connection and the Language of Human Experience" by Brene Brown (Random House) *Last week: 5*

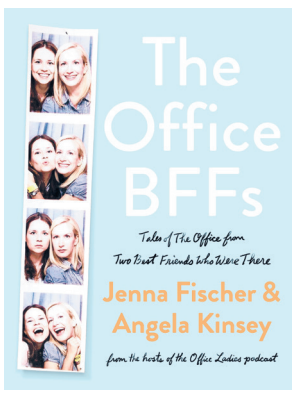
10. "Created Equal: The Painful Past, Confusing Present, and Hopeful Future of Race in America" by Ben Carson (Center Street) *Last week: —*

For the week ended May 21, compiled from data from independent and chain bookstores, book wholesalers and independent distributors nationwide.

— Publishers Weekly

Fischer and Kinsey trace growth of friendship on 'The Office' set

By Alicia Rancilio
Associated Press



'The Office BFFs'
By Jenna Fischer and Angela Kinsey; Dey Street Books, 336 pages, $27.99.

Jenna Fischer and Angela Kinsey obviously knew how "The Office" ended its nine-year run on NBC, because, after all, they filmed it — but revisiting that time for their new book, "The Office BFFs: Tales of The Office from Two Best Friends Who Were There," was still something they put off.

"I have not watched the finale episode in full even now," confessed Fischer, who played receptionist Pam Beasley. "I just watched the parts that I had to write about in the book because it's too emotional for me."

Kinsey, however, "watched the whole thing."

"I boohooed through it. When we were writing about it, I started crying," said Kinsey, who played the stickler, cat-loving accountant, Angela Martin.

The real-life best friends and former co-stars have put their memories to good use, with both "The Office BFFs" and a rewatch podcast called "Office Ladies."

In "The Office BFFs," they also document the growth of their friendship from when they first bonded while filming an episode in season one to Kinsey being at Fischer's side when she broke her back while attending an NBC party in New York during the hiatus between seasons three and four.

This interview with Fischer and Kinsey has been edited for clarity and length.

Q: How do you remember so clearly what happened to be able to fill a podcast and a book?
Fischer: We are big journalers so we journaled about our days on set. And Angela is a digital hoarder. She kept every email I ever sent her. It was so great. When I was writing the chapter on the romance between (characters) Jim and Pam, she had an old email that I had written her. She forwarded that to me, and I was able to use that.

Q: Is there anything you've saved specifically for the podcast and other things for the book? Or was there overlap?
Kinsey: The podcast is a true rewatch. And the book is our personal journey as two gals who are not from show business or Hollywood ... just trying to figure out what it means to be on a show and navigate a red carpet and how to do interviews and all those things you don't learn in an acting class. And we were horrible at it. Those are things we don't really talk about on the podcast.

Q: You've started these businesses together and pivoted into a new career path, marketing on yourselves rather than characters. Do you want to inspire others in making career changes by thinking outside-the-box?
K: I turned 50, and I didn't think I would be trying anything new in my career at 50. And here I am, learning how to do a podcast and writing a book with my best friend. I just think of other women I've always looked up to who reinvented themselves later in life and that you don't have to say, "Oh, I can't do that or it's too late." It's not too late, it's really not. That's something I would want to share with other folks out there.

Q: Both the podcast and the book introduce fans to the people behind-the-scenes of "The Office" who helped make the show, such as editors, props people and your wardrobe and hair department. It must be gratifying to give them some of the spotlight.
F: One of my favorite pieces of mail that we got is someone wrote to tell us, "All those names that I see scroll by in the credits at the end of the episode, now I feel like I know everybody." I'm so proud of that.

Q: In the first episode of your podcast, Jenna, you made a comment about how many episodes you two had ahead of you to recap and you sounded overwhelmed and maybe even scared. Is it funny to think about that now?
F: Yes. There's 201 episodes of "The Office" and to imagine doing 201 things of something that you're not sure you know how to do is very daunting. We're definitely in a groove now. We're more than halfway finished, and now we're starting to talk about what can we do next.

Q: Are you seriously thinking about what else you can do together?
K: Rainn Wilson (who played Dwight on "The Office") will tell you, we love to chat. So I think, we have a few ideas for what "Office Ladies" would be after we break down all the episodes.

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RAYS 3, YANKEES 1

Rays end Yankees' streak

Score late after Kluber, Cole pitching duel

By Dick Scanlon
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Corey Kluber and Gerrit Cole dueled evenly for six impressive innings before the Tampa Bay Rays scored a pair of late runs to beat the Yankees 3-1 Saturday, ending New York's four-game winning streak.

Yandy Diaz had a tiebreaking infield hit in the seventh, and Manuel Margot extended his hitting streak to 15 games with an RBI single in the eighth.

"Like we say, if you can't hit the starter, hit the reliever," Margot said through an interpreter. "When they have good pitching, you have to make adjustments, and I think in time, we were able to make that adjustment and get those runs on base."



The Yankees' Gerrit Cole struck out 10, giving up one run and two hits with three walks in six innings Saturday, but he got little run support as the Rays won, 3-1. **SCOTT AUDETTE/AP**

Kluber allowed one run and three hits, walking none and striking out five. Last May, the two-time Cy Young Award winner pitched a no-hitter for the Yankees against Texas.

Cole struck out 10, giving up one run and two hits with three walks.

J.P. Feyereisen (4-0) got the win with his 19th straight score-

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RED SOX 5, ORIOLES 2

Eovaldi throws his 1st complete game

By Ken Powtak
Associated Press

BOSTON — Nathan Eovaldi pitched a seven-hitter for his first career complete game, and the Boston Red Sox beat the Baltimore Orioles 5-3 on Saturday in the opener of a day-night doubleheader. The second game wasn't over in time for this edition.

The Red Sox posted their eighth win in 10 games after blowing two six-run leads in a loss on Friday night. The matchup was tied at 3 before slumping Bobby Dalbec's pinch hit homer in the sixth inning.

Rafael Devers had four hits for Boston, and Kiké Hernández added a two-run single.

Robinson Chirinos belted a two-run shot for Baltimore.

The Orioles have lost three of their last four games.



Boston Red Sox's Nathan Eovaldi allowed seven hits, two earned runs, struck out six and walked one in his first career complete game **MICHAEL DWYER/AP**

Eovaldi (2-2) threw 108 pitches in his 211th major league start. The 32-year-old right-hander allowed two earned runs, struck out six and walked one.

Turn to Sox, *Page 2*



A band of brothers, Cornell's Michael Long, second from right, is congratulated by teammates after scoring a goal against Rutgers during the second half of an NCAA college lacrosse semifinal. Cornell won, 17-10. **ADAM HUNGER/AP**

MEN'S LACROSSE

One last battle

Wilton's Harrison Bardwell and his Cornell teammates stay together one more game — the NCAA championship

By Dom Amore
Hartford Courant

EAST HARTFORD — Lightning strikes were all around Rentschler Field, and the two groups of lacrosse players fighting to keep their seasons, or in many cases their careers, from ending had nothing to do but sit and wait it out.

For more than 3 ½ hours they waited, in the locker room or in the runway leading onto the field, and savored the delay for what it was: a little more time together, and nothing compared to the waiting they had to do to get to the NCAA men's lacrosse championship weekend. That's what coach Connor Buczek told them as the delay began, and it hit home.

"It did. We waited so long, a lot of time in the dark," said Wilton's Harrison Barnwell, who plays short-stick midfield for Cornell, the 17-10 winner over Rutgers in the first semifinal game before 26, 616. "Last year, when the rest of college lacrosse was playing and the Ivy League unfortunately couldn't [due to COVID-19], what's a few more hours?"

When a college team, regardless of the sport or the level, gets as far as Memorial Day weekend, it's a fight for one more minute, one more day, one more game, one more memory to pack away for a lifetime. That's what Barnwell and his teammates, who will play Maryland or Princeton for the national championship on Monday at 1 p.m., were fighting for, and it was worth the wait. They've earned a couple of more

Turn to Lacrosse, *Page 6*

WNBA

Sun use late run to defeat Mystics

By Lila Bromberg
Hartford Courant

UNCASVILLE — Courtney Williams gleefully sprinted to DeWanna Bonner at midcourt and gave her a celebratory chest bump as the Mohegan Sun Arena crowd roared.

Bonner had just drained a 3-pointer from the left corner, off a pass from Williams, to give the Connecticut Sun a seven-point lead over the Washington Mystics with a little over three minutes left in Saturday night's contest.

The Sun went on to win 79-71, claiming the upper hand in a back-and-forth battle between two of the top teams in the WNBA.

Connecticut went on a 17-5 run across the last five minutes of the game to come away with the win.

As Connecticut did so, its bench looked different. Spots usually filled by head coach and general manager Curt Miller and assistant coach Brandi Poole were empty, leaving a noticeable gap. Both coaches were out due to health and safety protocols, as was forward Joyner Holmes, leaving assistant Chris Koclanes to take over top duties.

Washington was shorthanded as well. Leading scorer Elena Delle Donne sat out for rest and starter Alysha Clark was ruled out due to health and safety protocols.

A trio of players led Connecticut with 14 points a piece. Bonner had 14 points, seven rebounds and two blocks. Williams had 14 points, seven assists and five rebounds. Alyssa Thomas recorded 14 points, 10 rebounds and six assists. Brionna Jones added 13 points and eight rebounds.

The Sun were dominant on the boards, outrebounding the Mystics 41-19. Ten of those rebounds came on the offensive glass, leading to 15 second-chance points.

BASEBALL COMMENTARY

Civic Leadership players join forces to guide team through ups, downs of season



Lori Riley

EAST HARTFORD — It's easy to get down during a season, especially if your team only wins five games.

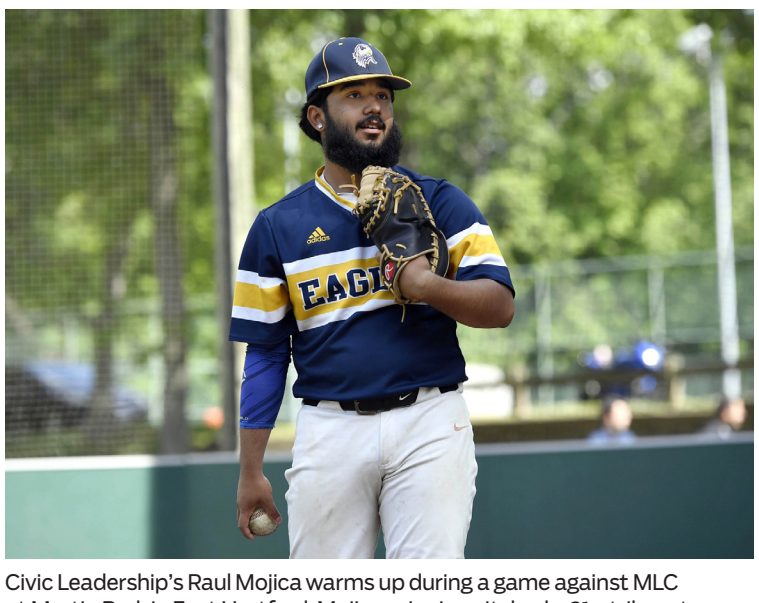
But there were diamonds among the rough patches — of which there were many — of the Civic Leadership baseball team's season. There was the time a junior pitched a 21-strikeout game in nine innings. There was the nail-biter Tuesday against MLC, which Civic Leadership rallied to win 3-2 in the bottom of the seventh.

Perhaps the best part was Raul Mojica and Ray Reyes walking off the Martin Park field together after Tuesday's win, when Reyes pitched a three-hitter with 13 strikeouts and Mojica, who pitched the 21-strikeout game against Weaver two weeks ago, was his catcher because the regular catcher wasn't there.

They felt like they got somewhere this season despite their team's 5-14 record (the Eagles lost their final game to Farmington 14-0 on Wednesday). Maybe it was that the two of them, not captains (they don't have captains) but leaders nonetheless, thought their team had finally come together Tuesday.

"We had to step up and be the leaders," said Reyes, who is from New Britain. "Even in the hardest situations, the hardest games we got through, all those moments we had to realize in that second,

Turn to Riley, *Page 6*



Civic Leadership's Raul Mojica warms up during a game against MLC at Martin Park in East Hartford. Mojica, a junior, pitched a 21-strikeout game May 10 in a win over Weaver and is one of the team's leaders. **JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

SPORTS

UP NEXT

Celtics: Eastern Conference Finals: at Miami (Game 7), Sunday, 8:30 p.m.
Rangers: NHL Second Round: at Hurricanes (Game 7, if necessary), Monday, 8 p.m.
Red Sox: Orioles, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.; Orioles, Monday, 7 p.m.; Reds, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Yankees: at Rays, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.; Angels, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Angels, Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Mets: Phillies, Sunday, 7 p.m.; Nationals, Monday, 7 p.m.; Nationals, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Yard Goats: at Richmond, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.; Reading, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Reading, Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Sun: at Aces, Tuesday, 9 p.m.; at Aces, Thursday, 10 p.m.; at Mercury, Friday, 10 p.m.
Hartford Athletic: at El Paso, Saturday, 9:30 p.m.; at San Diego, June 11, 10 p.m.; Memphis, June 15, 7 p.m.

TV/RADIO

AUTO RACING
8:55 a.m.: Formula 1 Monaco Grand Prix. (Live) ESPN
12:30 p.m.: Indianapolis 500 (Live) NBC
6 p.m.: NASCAR Cup Series Coca-Cola 600. (Live) FOX
BASEBALL
Noon: ACC Tournament Final. (Live) ESPN2
1:30 p.m.: New York Yankees at Tampa Bay Rays. (Live), YES. Radio: 97.9.
1:30 p.m.: Baltimore Orioles at Boston Red Sox. (Live), NESN. Radio: 1080.
2 p.m.: C-USA Tournament. (Live) CBSSN
3 p.m.: SEC Tournament Final. (Live) ESPN2
4:30 p.m.: Regional Coverage. (Live) MLB
6 p.m.: Big 12 Tournament. (Live) ESPNU
7 p.m.: Phillies at Mets. (Live) ESPN2,,SNY, Radio: 880
10 p.m.: Pac-12 Tournament Final. (Live) ESPN2
BASKETBALL
Noon: WNBA Mercury at Dream. (Live) CBS
8:30 p.m.: Celtics at Heat. (Live) ESPN
BOWLING
5 p.m.: PWBA Twin Cities Open. (Live) CBSSN
EQUESTRIAN
12:30 p.m.: America's Day at the Races. (Live) FS1
5 p.m.: America's Day at the Races. (Live) FS1
FOOTBALL
2 p.m.: USFL Birmingham Stallions vs Pittsburgh Maulers. (Live) FOX
GOLF
7:30 a.m.: DP World Tour Dutch Open Final Round. (Live) GOLF
1 p.m.: Charles Schwab Challenge Final Round. (Live) GOLF
2 p.m.: Charles Schwab Challenge Final Round. (Live) CBS
3 p.m.: Senior PGA Championship Final Round. (Live) GOLF
4 p.m.: Senior PGA Championship Final Round. (Live) NBC
6:30 p.m.: Bank of Hope LPGA Match Play, Finals. (Live) GOLF
HOCKEY
8 a.m.: IIHF World Championship Consolation Game. (Live) NHL
1 p.m.: IIHF World Championship Final. (Live) NHL
LACROSSE
Noon: Women's NCAA Final. (Live) ESPN
MOTORCYCLE RACING
10 a.m.: Motocross MXGP, Spain, MX2 Race 1. (Live) CBSSN
11 a.m.: Motocross MXGP, Spain, MXGP Race 1. (Live) CBSSN
RUGBY
6:30 p.m.: NOLA Gold at New England Free Jacks. (Live) FS1
7 p.m.: Collegiate Championship: Day 2. (Live) CBSSN
SOCCER
8:30 p.m.: Mexicano Primera División Final, vuelta: Pachuca vs Atlas. (Live) UNI
9:30 p.m.: MLS Charlotte FC at Seattle Sounders FC. (Live) FS1
SOFTBALL
Noon: NCAA Super Regional. (Live) ESPNU
2 p.m.: NCAA Super Regional. (Live) ESPN ESPNU
4 p.m.: NCAA Super Regional. (Live) ESPN ESPNU
9 p.m.: NCAA Super Regional. (Live) ESPNU
TENNIS
6 a.m.: Roland-Garros Round of 16. (Live) TENNIS
5 a.m.: Roland-Garros Round of 16. (Live) TENNIS

METS

DeGrom says shoulder 'completely normal'

By Jake Seiner
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mets ace Jacob deGrom says his injured right shoulder blade feels "completely normal," and he's waiting for New York's medical staff to clear him to resume throwing off a mound.

DeGrom has been sidelined since late in spring training with a stress reaction in his scapula. The two-time NL Cy Young Award winner played catch Friday out to 135 feet, but he's still not sure when he'll throw his first bullpen session or be ready for game action.

"I feel completely normal," he said Saturday prior to New York's game against Philadelphia. "So I think that's where it's going to be, like, do we push it? Do we not? That'll be the discussion over the next few days, and when we get on the mound, what is the safest way to go about this?"

DeGrom, 33, said he believes the stress reaction occurred because spring training was delayed and shortened to four weeks following baseball's 99-day lockout. DeGrom also missed the second half of the 2021 season with an elbow injury, compounding the strain on his body to prepare quickly for 2022.

"When I look at it, you got a short ramp up and you haven't pitched competitively in, what, eight months?" he said. "So I felt like that's probably what did it for me."

DeGrom said the shoulder felt normal with a couple of weeks of rest. He's had several rounds of MRIs, and his most recent imaging showed full healing in the shoulder blade. He doesn't anticipate needing another MRI but says he's leaving that decision up to the Mets' medical team.

He said he doesn't have trepidation about aggravating the stress reaction.

"You know, normally, bone heals stronger," he said. "The last report was good, and they said it was completely healed. So now, just making sure it handles the throwing and that nothing pops up."

The Mets, of course, have largely been fine without deGrom. They lead the NL East with a 30-17 record, even after fellow ace Max Scherzer went down this month with an oblique strain expected to sideline him for six to eight weeks.

DeGrom is signed through 2023 on a five-year, $137.5 million deal that includes a club option of $32.5 million for 2024, but he can opt out of the contract after this season.

DeGrom acknowledged that being healthy for September and October might take priority over a swift return if New York remains on track for the postseason.

Nimmo MRI clean: Mets center fielder Brandon Nimmo had an MRI on his right wrist Saturday that came back clean, but he was held out of the lineup. Manager Buck Showalter said he expected Nimmo might get an injection, but he doesn't anticipate New York's leadoff hitter will miss significant time. ... RHP Yoan Lopez was optioned to Triple-A Syracuse, and outfielder Nick Plummer was called up.



The Mets' Dominic Smith connects for a sacrifice fly in the second inning of Saturday night's game against the Phillies at Citi Field. **CHRISTOPHER PASATIERI/GETTY**

YANKEES NOTEBOOK

LeMahieu returns to the lineup after injury scare

By Kristie Ackert
New York Daily News

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — DJ LeMahieu was back in the lineup Saturday. It was the first time he had played since Monday because of discomfort in his left wrist. The infielder had a cortisone shot on Tuesday and as late as Thursday evening there was a fear he may have to go on the injured list.

Instead, he was leading off on Saturday against the Rays at Tropicana Field.

"Just a really good turn of events," Yankees manager Aaron Boone said. "About 36 hours ago, I was a little worried that we might need to do an IL stint, and then [he] really felt good two nights ago. He was able to hit and then yesterday had a real normal day.

"So yeah, excited to get him back in there."

Struggling Gallo drops down in lineup: Maybe dropping down to the last spot in the lineup will help Joey Gallo find his swing. That's where the struggling slugger found himself in the starting lineup for Saturday's game. It was the first time Gallo has been in the No. 9 spot in a starting lineup since 2017 with the Rangers. That was also the year he hit a career-high 41 home runs.

Boone said the No. 9 spot is not a demotion.

"The nine hole, if you've covered me you know, is a place I value. I think there's a pretty good fit there, especially as you turn over the lineup when he's going well, his ability to get on base. ... Just trying to space out our lineup a little bit in our lefties a little bit better," Boone said before the game. "I think maybe it's a spot that he can potentially thrive in for us."

Gallo snapped an 0-for-20 stretch with a single Friday. Over his previous nine games, Gallo was 2-for-29 with his one hit being a home run. He slashed .069/.209/.172 with a .378 OPS. Overall this season, Gallo is hitting .168/.277/.310 with five home runs with 50 strikeouts in 113 at-bats.

Hicks is odd man out: Aaron Hicks, who missed the first two games of the series because of tightness in his right hamstring, was ready to play Saturday but not in the lineup by Boone's choice.

"Just my decision there and, yeah, he's ready to go and will probably be in there tomorrow," Boone said.

But Hicks also has struggled at the plate this season and is off to a .209/.338/.243 start with one home run and seven RBIs in 39 games.

"We'll just continue to work on getting that quality of contact going," Boone said. "He's still doing a pretty good job of controlling the zone. He was getting some traction there for a few days, so we've just got to keep working with him and hopefully get him to that point to where he's starting to really swing out like we know he's capable of along with obviously his ability to get on base."



The Yankees' DJ LeMahieu, left, celebrates with teammate Gleyber Torres after scoring in the first inning against the Rays on Saturday. **SCOTT AUDETTE/AP**

MLB

Fellow managers offer Giants' Kapler support for protest

By Bernie Wilson
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Several of Gabe Kapler's fellow managers are offering their support for his decision to avoid the field during the national anthem as a protest following the school shootings in southwestern Texas.

Kapler, manager of the San Francisco Giants, said Friday he doesn't plan to be on the field for the anthem "until I feel better about the direction of our country. I don't expect it to move the needle necessarily. It's just something that I feel strongly enough about to take that step."

Nineteen children and two teachers were killed at an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas, on Tuesday. The attack occurred just 10 days after a gunman espousing racist hatred killed 10 Black people at a supermarket in Buffalo, New York.

Texas Rangers manager Chris Woodward said Kapler's action was "brave."

"I think we're all frustrated, especially in this country," Woodward said. "Nobody's happy. It's not about which side you're on. It's just we've got to get better as a society. ... I'm not going to really make comment either way on whether I would or wouldn't do what he did."

Red Sox manger Alex Cora said Kapler, his former teammate, has been vocal about several subjects and "for that, I'm proud of him. He's a good friend of mine and the kind of guy I respect from afar for what he's doing, and if this is what he's doing, good for him. I understand his reasons. He was very open about it, and I know there's a lot of people that are going to support him."

Mets manager Buck Showalter also said he respected "how Gabe feels and the way he's going about it." Asked about Kapler, Philadelphia manager Joe Girardi responded: "That's Gabe's decision. That's all, I'm going to leave it at that."

Washington Nationals manager Dave Martinez said he's rarely on the field for the anthem because of meetings and other pregame prep.

"If I'm not out there it's not because I'm boycotting anything," Martinez said. "But I do believe that we need to figure something that's better for everybody's lives because what we have now is not working at all.

"Everybody has their own views and preferences. ... Gabe's his own person, and Gabe does what he wants to do. I do things differently than Gabe."

Arizona manager Torey Lovullo called Kapler "a humanitarian," and that he was "very supportive of what Gabe is doing." But Lovullo said he tries "not to get involved in that arena. It's a very, very sad and touchy subject for me."

Lovullo's wife and his father's family are from Buffalo.

"So I do have a lot of thoughts on it, and I will say that things have to stop; things have got to get better," he said. "I just hope we'll move in that direction quickly."

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less relief appearance. Colin Poche pitched the ninth for his second save in two tries. Jason Adam also pitched an inning in the combined four-hitter.

With the score 1-all, Kevin Kiermaier opened the Rays' seventh with a single on the first pitch thrown by reliever Lucas Luetge (1-2). Francisco Mejia followed with the key hit of the game: a popup down the right field line that dropped for a double when second baseman Gleyber Torres overran the ball.

"When it first went up, I thought, 'Oh no, it's in no-man's land out there,'" Yankees manager Aaron Boone said. "It looked to me like Gleyber got a pretty good break on it. It just kind of (fell) in that perfect spot where it's going to be a tough play."

Kiermaier was thrown out at the plate by first baseman Anthony Rizzo on a grounder, but Diaz bounced a chopper down the third base line for a 2-1 lead.

Wander Franco led off Rays eighth with a triple to right and scored on Margot's hit.

After walking Diaz to lead off the first, Cole retired 14 in a row before giving up his first hit, Mejia's two-out single in the fifth.

Cole is 1-6 in 12 career starts against Tampa Bay. He threw 105 pitches, including 26 each in the first and sixth innings.

"I kept us in the ball game, obviously a tight one," he said. "We struggled to get anybody on after the first, so it was pretty tight, and that forces you to make some pitches. We made a lot of good pitches, and it kept us in the ball game."

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It's the most starts prior to throwing a complete game in MLB history, according to STATS.

"It definitely means a lot to me," Eovaldi said. "especially with how the game's changing now and things like that, and injuries I've had."

Eovaldi had Tommy John surgery twice — once in high school and again in 2016 — and was sidelined in 2019 after having "loose bodies" removed in his pitching elbow a year earlier.

"Every starter wants to go out there and finish his start," he said. "It means a lot to me."

There was some applause when he trotted out for the ninth with the rarity of complete games in baseball.

Boston's bullpen was tagged for 10 runs on Friday.

"He was great, especially in the second part of the game," Red Sox manager Alex Cora said. "We needed to reset (the bullpen) at one point."

Cora didn't know it was Eovaldi's first complete game until it was over.

"It was good to see them celebrate him down (in the clubhouse), well deserved," Cora said.

Dalbec, who entered hitting just .162 having lost most of his playing time at first base to Franchy Cordero, drove a fastball into Boston's bullpen against Keegan Akin (1-1).

Less than 12 hours after wiping out a six-run deficit by outscoring the Red Sox 10-0 over the final three innings, the Orioles tied it at 3 in the fifth when Chirinos hit a hanging curveball from Eovaldi over the Green Monster.

The Red Sox had erased an early 1-0 hole when Jackie Bradley Jr. lined a run-scoring double and Hernández followed with his single that trickled into shallow left off the glove of diving third baseman Ramón Urías.

Orioles starter Jordan Lyles gave up three runs in 4 ⅓ innings.

Baltimore's Rougned Odor went 0 for 4, ending his career-best 11-game hitting streak.

Before the game, the Red Sox placed right-handed pitcher Hansel Robles on the 15-day injured list with back spasms.

In addition to Robles going on the IL, the Red Sox demoted right-hander Hirokazu Sawamura to Triple-A Worcester and recalled right-handers Ryan Brasier and Phillips Valdez.

For the nightcap, Orioles right-hander Denyi Reyes (0-0, 0.00 ERA) made his first major league start and second appearance. He faced off against Boston righty Josh Winckowski, who made his major league debut.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	33	14	.702	—	—	5-5	L-1	17-7	16-7
Tampa Bay	27	19	.587	5 ½	—	6-4	W-1	16-11	11-8
Toronto	25	20	.556	7	—	7-3	W-3	14-8	11-12
Boston	22	24	.478	10 ½	3 ½	8-2	W-1	11-11	11-13
Baltimore	19	28	.404	14	7	5-5	L-1	12-11	7-17

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	28	19	.596	—	—	7-3	L-1	16-11	12-8
Chicago	22	22	.500	4 ½	2 ½	5-5	L-1	10-12	12-10
Cleveland	19	23	.452	6 ½	4 ½	3-7	W-1	8-8	11-15
Detroit	16	29	.356	11	9	4-6	L-1	10-14	6-15
Kansas City	16	29	.356	11	9	3-7	W-1	8-15	8-14

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	29	17	.630	—	—	6-4	L-1	14-6	15-11
Los Angeles	27	20	.574	2 ½	—	3-7	L-3	15-11	12-9
Texas	22	23	.489	6 ½	3	6-4	W-4	10-12	12-11
Seattle	19	27	.413	10	6 ½	3-7	W-1	11-9	8-18
Oakland	19	30	.388	11 ½	8	3-7	L-3	6-17	13-13

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	30	17	.638	—	—	6-4	W-1	14-8	16-9
Atlanta	22	25	.468	8	3	5-5	L-1	13-14	9-11
Philadelphia	21	25	.457	8 ½	3 ½	4-6	L-1	11-13	10-12
Miami	19	25	.432	9 ½	4 ½	4-6	W-1	10-12	9-13
Washington	17	30	.362	13	8	5-5	W-3	8-17	9-13

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Milwaukee	29	18	.617	—	—	6-4	L-2	14-6	15-12
St. Louis	26	20	.565	2 ½	—	6-4	W-2	13-10	13-10
Chicago	18	26	.409	9 ½	5 ½	4-6	L-2	7-15	11-11
Pittsburgh	18	26	.409	9 ½	5 ½	3-7	L-1	11-14	7-12
Cincinnati	16	30	.348	12 ½	8 ½	6-4	W-4	9-11	7-19

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Los Angeles	31	14	.689	—	—	8-2	W-2	15-5	16-9
San Diego	29	16	.644	2	—	7-3	W-1	12-9	17-7
San Francisco	24	21	.533	7	—	3-7	L-2	13-11	11-10
Arizona	23	24	.489	9	2	5-5	L-2	12-13	11-11
Colorado	20	25	.444	11	4	3-7	L-3	14-11	6-14

BOX SCORES

BOSTON 5, BALTIMORE 3
GAME 1

Baltimore	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Mullins cf	4	1	1	0	0	.246
Mancini 1b	4	0	1	0	1	.286
Santander lf	4	0	1	1	0	.227
Hays rf	4	0	1	0	0	.294
Mountcastle dh	4	0	1	0	2	.255
Odor 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.230
Urias 3b	3	1	1	0	1	.237
Chirinos c	3	1	1	2	0	.146
Owings ss	2	0	0	0	1	.122
TOTALS	**32**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**6**	
Boston	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Hernandez cf	5	0	1	2	0	.200
Devers 3b	5	0	4	0	1	.354
Martinez dh	4	1	1	0	2	.376
Bogaerts ss	4	0	1	0	2	.322
Verdugo lf	4	0	1	0	0	.238
Arroyo 2b	4	1	2	1	0	.209
Cordero 1b	2	0	1	0	0	.262
a-Dalbec ph-1b	2	1	1	1	0	.168
Plawecki c	2	1	0	0	0	.167
Bradley Jr. rf	4	1	1	1	0	.221
TOTALS	**36**	**5**	**13**	**5**	**5**	

Baltimore	**100**	**020**	**000**	**—**	**3**	**7**	**0**
Boston	**030**	**001**	**10x**	**—**	**5**	**13**	**1**

a-homered for Cordero in the 6th.

E: Devers (5).

LOB: Baltimore 3, Boston 10.

2B: Urias (8), Arroyo (2), Bradley Jr. (14), Devers (19), Bogaerts (10).

HR: Chirinos (2), off Eovaldi; Dalbec (2), off Akin.
RBIs: Santander (25), Chirinos 2(10), Bradley Jr. (16), Hernandez 2(22), Dalbec (8), Arroyo (7). SB: Mullins (11).

Runners left in scoring position: Baltimore 1(Santander); Boston 5(Arroyo, Dalbec, Martinez 3).

RISP: Baltimore 2for 6; Boston 3for 11.

Runners moved up: Cordero.

GIDP: Mountcastle, Odor.
DP: Boston 3(Devers, Arroyo, Cordero; Bogaerts, Cordero; Arroyo, Bogaerts, Dalbec).

BALTIMORE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lyles	4⅓	9	3	3	1	3	4.26
Akin, L, 1-1	2⅓	2	2	2	1	1	1.71
Baker	1⅓	2	0	0	1	1	4.66
BOSTON	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Eovaldi, W, 2-2	9	7	3	2	1	6	3.77

Inherited runners-scored: Akin 2-0, Baker 2-1.

LATE FRIDAY:
BALTIMORE 12, BOSTON 8

Baltimore	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Mullins cf	5	1	2	0	0	.246
Mancini dh	4	1	1	0	1	.287
1-McKenna pr-lf	0	0	0	0	0	.222
Santander lf	4	3	2	3	0	.226
Lopez p	0	0	0	0	0	---
Hays rf	4	2	2	2	0	.288
Rutschman c	5	1	0	0	1	.200
Mountcastle 1b	4	0	1	1	1	.255
Odor 2b	5	2	3	1	1	.237
Urias 3b	4	1	3	0	0	.235
Mateo ss	5	1	1	3	2	.207
TOTALS	**40**	**12**	**15**	**10**	**6**	
Boston	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Hernandez cf	5	1	1	0	0	.200
Devers 3b	5	3	3	0	0	.342
Martinez dh	3	2	1	1	0	.379
Bogaerts ss	4	1	2	3	0	.323
Verdugo lf	5	0	2	2	1	.238
Story 2b	3	0	0	0	0	.227
Cordero 1b	4	1	2	0	1	.254
a-Arroyo ph-1b	1	0	0	0	0	.190
Vazquez c	5	0	1	1	2	.275
Bradley Jr. rf	5	0	2	0	0	.220
TOTALS	**40**	**8**	**14**	**7**	**4**	

Baltimore	**000**	**200**	**334**	**—**	**12**	**15**	**2**
Boston	**420**	**110**	**000**	**—**	**8**	**14**	**1**

a-popped out for Cordero in the 8th.
1-ran for Mancini in the 9th.
E: Santander (3), Mateo (7), Devers (4).
LOB: Baltimore 6, Boston 11.
2B: Odor (10), Verdugo (10), Bradley Jr. (13), Devers (18), Martinez (17), Cordero (5).
HR: Santander (8), off Whitlock; Mateo (3), off Diekman; Hays (5), off Schreiber; Bogaerts (5), off Bradish.
RBIs: Santander 3(24), Mateo 3(12), Hays 2(22), Mountcastle (19), Odor (19), Bogaerts 3(20), Verdugo 2(23), Martinez (22), Vazquez (18). SF: Mountcastle.
Runners left in scoring position: Baltimore 3(Mateo 2, Odor); Boston 8 (Vazquez, Arroyo, Hernandez, Martinez 2, Story 3). **RISP:** Baltimore 4for 8; Boston 4for 15.
Runners moved up: Story, Verdugo, Devers. **GIDP:** Mateo, Vazquez. **DP:** Baltimore 1(Odor, Mateo, Mountcastle); Boston 1(Bogaerts, Story, Cordero).

BALTIMORE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bradish	1⅔	6	6	6	1	2	7.31
Sulser	3	7	2	2	0	0	6.00
Diplan	2	0	0	0	2	1	0.00
Gillaspie	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	1.69
Tate	⅔	1	0	0	0	0	1.88
Perez, W, 3-0	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	0.64
Lopez	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.23
BOSTON	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Whitlock	6	5	2	2	1	4	3.49
Diekman	1	2	3	3	1	0	3.86
Schreiber, H, 4	⅔	1	2	2	1	1	1.42
Strahm, L, 2-2	⅓	5	4	3	0	1	3.68
Sawamura	1	2	1	1	1	0	3.60

Inherited runners-scored: Sulser 2-0, Diplan 2-0, Gillaspie 1-0, Perez 2-0, Sawamura 2-2.

HBP: Bradish 2(Martinez,Bogaerts), Tate (Story).
WP: Sawamura.

THIS DATE IN BASEBALL
MAY 29

1916: Christy Mathewson defeated the Boston Braves 3-0 for the New York Giants' 17th consecutive road win.
1922: The U.S. Supreme Court ruled organized baseball was primarily a sport and not a business, and therefore not subject to antitrust laws and interstate commerce regulations. The suit had been brought by the Federal League's Baltimore franchise.
1928: Bill Terry hit for the cycle to lead the New York Giants to a 12-5 win over Brooklyn at Ebbets Field. Terry became the first player in major league history to include a grand slam as part of the cycle.
1942: New York's Lefty Gomez, self-described as the worst-hitting pitcher in baseball, banged out four hits while pitching a 16-1 four-hitter against Washington.
1946: In a reverse integration role, Edward Klep became the first white to play in the Negro leagues in a game played in Grand Rapids. Klep pitched seven innings for the Cleveland Buckeyes against the American Giants in his debut with the Negro American League team.
1956: Dale Long went hitless for the Pirates, ending his major league record streak of home runs in eight consecutive games. The Brooklyn Dodgers beat

WASHINGTON 13, COLORADO 7
GAME 1

Colorado	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Joe dh	5	1	1	1	1	.278
Daza lf	4	1	2	0	0	.370
Blackmon rf	5	1	3	1	0	.234
Cron 1b	5	1	2	3	2	.311
McMahon 3b	5	0	0	0	2	.247
Rodgers 2b	3	1	1	0	0	.244
Grichuk cf	4	2	2	0	0	.279
Iglesias ss	4	0	1	1	0	.305
Diaz c	3	0	0	1	2	.209
TOTALS	**38**	**7**	**12**	**7**	**7**	
Washington	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Hernandez 2b	5	1	2	0	0	.282
Thomas lf	4	1	0	0	2	.198
Soto rf	4	1	1	0	1	.232
Cruz dh	3	2	1	2	0	.231
Bell 1b	4	3	2	0	0	.301
Franco 3b	5	1	2	2	1	.257
Adams c	3	3	1	2	1	.208
Robles cf	4	1	3	6	0	.248
Escobar ss	5	0	2	1	1	.220
TOTALS	**37**	**13**	**14**	**13**	**6**	

Colorado	**310**	**300**	**000**	**—**	**7**	**12**	**1**
Washington	**530**	**300**	**02x**	**—**	**13**	**14**	**0**

E: Daza (1).
LOB: Colorado 7, Washington 8.
2B: Iglesias (10), Soto (9), Franco 2(13), Hernandez (12), Escobar (4).

HR: Cron (13), off Sanchez; Robles (1), off Goudeau; Adams (3), off Stephenson.
RBIs: Cron 3(37), Iglesias (14), Diaz (8), Joe (13), Blackmon (19), Cruz 2(26), Robles 6(19), Escobar (8), Franco 2(23), Adams 2(5).

SB: Robles (2), Grichuk (2).
SF: Diaz.

Runners left in scoring position: Colorado 4(McMahon, Cron 2, Daza); Washington 5(Escobar 2, Hernandez 3).
RISP: Colorado 3for 10; Washington 8 for 15.
Runners moved up: Iglesias, Franco.
GIDP: Cruz. **DP:** Colorado 1(Iglesias, Rodgers, Cron).

COLORADO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gomber, L, 2-5	1⅓	7	8	8	3	1	5.51
Goudeau	2⅔	4	3	3	3	3	7.08
Chacin	2	1	0	0	1	0	6.38
Estevez	1	0	0	0	0	2	5.79
Stephenson	1	2	2	2	0	0	5.56
WASHINGTON	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Sanchez	3⅔	8	7	7	0	3	8.33
Ramirez, W, 1-0	2	2	0	0	2	1	2.25
Edwards Jr.	1⅓	1	0	0	0	2	2.45
Arano	2	1	0	0	0	1	3.92

Inherited runners-scored: Goudeau 3-3, Ramirez 1-1, Edwards Jr. 1-0.

HBP: Goudeau (Escobar), Chacin (Robles).
WP: Gomber, Goudeau.

Umpires: Home, Larry Vanover; First, Brock Ballou; Second, Junior Valentine; Third, Sean Barber.

T: 3:37.
A: 20,294(41,339).

LATE FRIDAY:
N.Y. METS 8, PHILADELPHIA 6

Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Hoskins 1b	4	1	1	0	3	.224
Bohm 3b	5	1	2	0	2	.290
Harper dh	5	1	1	1	1	.313
Castellanos rf	5	1	2	1	2	.253
Schwarber lf	3	0	0	0	2	.190
Segura 2b	3	0	0	1	0	.283
Herrera cf	3	1	2	0	0	.284
Stubbs c	4	1	1	3	1	.379
Stott ss	3	0	0	0	1	.114
a-Realmuto ph	1	0	0	0	0	.238
Camargo ss	0	0	0	0	0	.260
TOTALS	**36**	**6**	**9**	**6**	**12**	
New York	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Nimmo cf	4	1	1	0	1	.293
Marte rf	5	2	2	1	1	.274
Lindor ss	2	3	1	1	0	.253
Alonso 1b	2	1	2	4	0	.283
Escobar 3b	3	0	0	1	1	.225
Canha lf	4	0	1	1	1	.293
McNeil 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.319
Davis dh	3	0	0	0	2	.221
Nido c	3	1	1	0	2	.211
TOTALS	**30**	**8**	**9**	**8**	**9**	

Philadelphia	**000**	**006**	**000**	**—**	**6**	**9**	**2**
New York	**302**	**201**	**00x**	**—**	**8**	**9**	**1**

a-popped out for Stott in the 8th. **E:** Stott (2), Stubbs (1), Carrasco (1). **LOB:** Philadelphia 7, New York 6. **2B:** Castellanos (12), Herrera (8), Alonso (8), Nimmo (8). HR: Stubbs (2), off Shreve; Alonso (12), off Falter. **RBIs:** Harper (32), Castellanos (24), Segura (19), Stubbs 3(6), Alonso 4(45), Escobar (12), Canha (17), Lindor (34), Marte (25). SB: Lindor (6). SF: Alonso, Escobar.
Runners left in scoring position: Philadelphia 5(Castellanos, Stubbs 2, Realmuto 2); New York 2(Escobar 2). **RISP:** Philadelphia 4for 12; New York 2for 7.
Runners moved up: Herrera, Segura, Harper, Marte, Lindor. **GIDP:** Marte, Nimmo. **DP:** Philadelphia 2(Segura, Stott, Hoskins; Hoskins, Camargo, Hoskins).

PHILADELPHIA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Falter, L, 0-2	3	4	5	2	3	2	4.20
Nelson	2	3	3	3	1	5	4.24
Bellatti	1	1	0	0	1	0	2.51
Familia	1	0	0	0	0	1	4.32
Hand	1	1	0	0	0	1	1.46
NEW YORK	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Carrasco, W, 5-1	5⅔	6	5	5	1	7	3.98
Shreve, H, 3	⅓	1	1	1	0	0	4.96
Dr.Smith, H, 11	1	0	0	0	1	1	2.66
Rodriguez, H, 6	⅔	1	0	0	1	1	3.68
Lugo, H, 8	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	3.93
Diaz, S, 11-14	1	1	0	0	0	3	2.75

Inherited runners-scored: Bellatti 1-1, Shreve 2-2, Lugo 2-0. IBB: off Bellatti (Alonso). **HBP:** Carrasco (Segura), Falter (Davis). **Umpires:** Home, Jeremie Rehak; First, Alan Porter; Second, Ryan Wills; Third, Todd Tichenor. T: 3:41. **A:** 30,175(41,922).

TAMPA BAY 3, N.Y. YANKEES 1

New York	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
LeMahieu 3b	4	1	1	0	0	.250
Judge cf	4	0	1	0	2	.304
Rizzo 1b	2	0	0	1	2	.218
Torres 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.230
Andujar lf	3	0	0	0	1	.250
Carpenter dh	3	0	0	0	0	.125
Kiner-Falefa ss	3	0	1	0	0	.259
Trevino c	2	0	0	0	1	.239
b-Hicks ph	1	0	0	0	1	.207
Higashioka c	0	0	0	0	0	.169
Gallo rf	3	0	1	0	1	.172
TOTALS	**28**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**9**	
Tampa Bay	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Diaz 3b	3	0	1	1	1	.264
Choi 1b	3	1	0	0	2	.258
Franco ss	3	1	1	0	2	.263
Arozarena dh	4	0	1	1	0	.259
Margot lf	4	0	1	1	1	.349
Kiermaier cf	4	0	1	0	0	.240
Mejia c	3	1	2	0	1	.263
Phillips rf	2	0	0	0	2	.216
a-Ramirez ph	1	0	0	0	0	.284
Brujan rf	0	0	0	0	0	.130
Walls 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.145
TOTALS	**30**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**10**	

New York	**100**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**1**	**4**	**0**
Tampa Bay	**000**	**001**	**11x**	**—**	**3**	**7**	**0**

a-pinch hit for Phillips in the 7th.
b-struck out for Trevino in the 8th.

LOB: New York 1, Tampa Bay 6.
2B: LeMahieu (10), Mejia (3).
3B: Franco (2).
RBIs: Rizzo (28), Arozarena (19), Diaz (11), Margot (23).
SF: Rizzo.

Runners left in scoring position: New York 0; Tampa Bay 2(Choi, Margot).

RISP: New York 1for 1; Tampa Bay 3 for 8.
LIDP: Torres.
GIDP: LeMahieu, Kiermaier.
DP: New York 1(Kiner-Falefa, Rizzo); Tampa Bay 2(Phillips, Choi, Phillips; Franco, Choi).

NEW YORK	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Cole	6	2	1	1	3	10	3.12
Luetge, L, 1-2	⅓	2	1	1	0	0	5.84
King	1⅔	3	1	1	0	0	3.10
TAMPA BAY	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Kluber	6	3	1	1	0	5	4.03
Feyereisen, W, 4-0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.00
Adam, H, 4	1	1	0	0	0	2	0.92
Poche, S, 2-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.20

Inherited runners-scored: King 2-1.

Umpires: Home, Edwin Moscoso; First, Pat Hoberg; Second, Paul Emmel; Third, Bruce Dreckman.

T: 2:47.
A: 25,025(25,000).

LATE FRIDAY:
N.Y. YANKEES 2, TAMPA BAY 0

New York	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Judge cf	4	0	0	0	2	.305
Rizzo 1b	4	0	0	0	0	.221
Torres 2b	4	1	1	1	1	.234
Andujar lf	4	0	1	0	0	.286
Carpenter dh	3	1	1	1	2	.200
Kiner-Falefa ss	4	0	1	0	1	.257
Gallo rf	4	0	1	0	2	.168
Higashioka c	3	0	1	0	1	.169
Gonzalez 3b	3	0	0	0	1	.208
TOTALS	**33**	**2**	**6**	**2**	**10**	
Tampa Bay	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Kiermaier cf	4	0	0	0	2	.239
Diaz 3b	3	0	0	0	0	.262
Franco ss	3	0	0	0	0	.262
Arozarena lf	3	0	1	0	0	.259
Choi 1b	3	0	0	0	1	.267
Ramirez rf	3	0	0	0	1	.287
Margot dh	3	0	1	0	1	.353
Brujan 2b	3	0	0	0	2	.130
Zunino c	2	0	0	0	0	.155
a-Mejia ph	1	0	0	0	0	.241
TOTALS	**28**	**0**	**2**	**0**	**7**	

New York	**000**	**200**	**000**	**—**	**2**	**6**	**0**
Tampa Bay	**000**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**0**	**2**	**0**

a-grounded out for Zunino in the 9th.

LOB: New York 5, Tampa Bay 1.
2B: Andujar (1), Margot (5).

HR: Torres (8), off Springs; Carpenter (1), off Springs.

RBIs: Torres (22), Carpenter (1). CS: Arozarena (4).

Runners left in scoring position: New York 4(Gallo, Rizzo 2, Higashioka); Tampa Bay 1(Kiermaier).

RISP: New York 0for 6; Tampa Bay 0 for 3.
Runners moved up: Judge, Gallo.

NEW YORK	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Taillon, W, 5-1	8	2	0	0	0	5	2.49
Holmes, S, 6-6	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.36
TAMPA BAY	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Springs, L, 2-2	6	5	2	2	0	6	1.62
Beeks	2⅓	1	0	0	1	3	1.29
Wisler	⅔	0	0	0	0	1	2.78

Inherited runners-scored: Wisler 2-0.

First-pitch strikes/batters faced: Taillon 15/25; Holmes 2/3. Wisler 2/2; Springs 15/23; Beeks 8/9.

Called strikes/swinging strikes-foul balls/In play strikes: Taillon-14-10-18-19; Holmes-5-2-2-1. Wisler-3-0-2-1; Springs-16-9-14-17; Beeks-5-9-8-5

Umpires: Home, Bruce Dreckman; First, Edwin Moscoso; Second, Pat Hoberg; Third, Paul Emmel.

T: 2:23.
A: 19,018(25,000).

Pittsburgh, 10-1.
1965: Philadelphia's Richie Allen hit a 529-foot home run over the roof of Connie Mack Stadium off Chicago's Larry Jackson in the Phillies' 4-2 victory.
1976: Houston's Joe Niekro was the winning pitcher and hit a home run off his brother, Phil Niekro. The Astros beat the Atlanta Braves 4-1. It was the only home run hit by Joe in his 22-year major league career.
1990: Oakland's Rickey Henderson broke Ty Cobb's 62-year-old American League stolen base record, but the Toronto Blue Jays still beat the Athletics 2-1. Henderson's 893rd steal came in the sixth inning.

MIAMI 4, ATLANTA 1

Miami	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Berti cf-2b	3	1	0	0	2	.277
Cooper 1b	4	0	2	2	0	.277
Soler lf	4	1	1	0	1	.205
Aguilar dh	3	0	0	0	0	.261
Rojas ss	4	1	3	1	0	.220
Wendle 3b	3	0	0	1	0	.282
Stallings c	4	0	0	0	2	.219
De La Cruz rf	4	0	0	0	1	.259
Astudillo 2b	4	1	2	0	0	.333
Sanchez cf	0	0	0	0	0	.214
TOTALS	**33**	**4**	**8**	**4**	**6**	
Atlanta	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Acuna Jr. dh	3	0	1	0	2	.304
Swanson ss	4	0	2	1	0	.270
Ozuna lf	3	0	0	0	1	.222
Riley 3b	4	0	1	0	3	.244
Olson 1b	3	0	0	0	2	.243
Albies 2b	3	0	0	0	3	.242
Contreras c	3	0	0	0	1	.264
Duvall rf	3	0	0	0	3	.188
Harris II cf	3	1	1	0	1	.333
TOTALS	**29**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**16**	

Miami	**000**	**101**	**200**	**—**	**4**	**8**	**0**
Atlanta	**000**	**001**	**000**	**—**	**1**	**5**	**0**

LOB: Miami 9, Atlanta 3.
2B: Cooper (11), Swanson (9).
HR: Rojas (3), off O'Day.
RBIs: Wendle (11), Rojas (9), Cooper 2 (19), Swanson (24).
SB: Berti (4), Astudillo (1), Acuna Jr. (9).
SF: Wendle.
Runners left in scoring position: Miami 5(Cooper, Soler, Aguilar 2, Stallings); Atlanta 1(Riley).
RISP: Miami 3for 10; Atlanta 0for 2.
Runners moved up: Wendle, Swanson 2.
GIDP: Stallings, Ozuna.
DP: Miami 2(Wendle, Astudillo, Cooper; Cooper, Rojas, Wendle, Cooper); Atlanta 1(Swanson, Albies, Olson).

MIAMI	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Alcantara, W, 5-2	8	4	1	1	0	14	2.00
Sulser, S, 2-3	1	1	0	0	1	2	2.50
ATLANTA	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Davidson, L, 1-2	5	3	1	1	4	3	6.46
O'Day	1	1	1	1	0	1	4.63
McHugh	1	2	2	2	1	0	4.50
Lee	2	2	0	0	1	2	0.00

HBP: Alcantara (Acuna Jr.).
Umpires: Home, Carlos Torres; First, Dan Merzel; Second, Lance Barksdale; Third, Chris Conroy.
T: 2:48.
A: 40,682(41,084).

ST. LOUIS 8, MILWAUKEE 3

Milwaukee	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
McCutchen dh	5	0	0	0	2	.241
Urias ss	4	0	1	0	1	.265
Yelich lf	4	0	1	0	1	.241
Taylor rf	3	0	0	0	0	.241
Brosseau 3b	4	0	0	0	2	.281
Hiura 1b	4	1	1	1	2	.250
Cain cf	3	0	0	0	1	.178
Mathias 2b	4	1	1	0	0	.250
Caratini c	3	1	2	2	0	.204
TOTALS	**34**	**3**	**6**	**3**	**9**	
St. Louis	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Edman ss	5	2	1	0	0	.279
Gorman

SPORTS



The Celtics let a chance to clinch a trip to the NBA Finals at home slip away Friday night with a 111-103 loss to the Heat. Al Horford, from left, Marcus Smart, Derrick White and the rest of the Celtics get another chance to advance in Game 7 on Sunday in Miami. **STUART CAHILL/BOSTON HERALD**

Celtics ready to test their road prowess

By Tim Reynolds
Associated Press

MIAMI — Erik Spoelstra didn't even have to finish the sentence. The Miami Heat coach was speaking in the locker room after a season-extending win in Boston, players and staff standing around him in a semicircle.

"There's no two better words," Spoelstra said.

"Game 7," about a half-dozen people responded, in unison.

Game 7, for a berth in the NBA Finals. Either the Heat or the Boston Celtics will become Eastern Conference champions on Sunday night, when they'll finally finish their series and see which club will face the Golden State Warriors in the title round.

It'll be the second Game 7 between the teams; the other was in 2012, when the Heat topped the Celtics 101-88 to win that year's East title.

"Look, we're here," Spoelstra said after Miami fended off elimination with a 111-103 win in Boston on Friday night, behind a 47-point, nine-rebound, eight-assist, four-steal effort from Jimmy Butler. "This is the way it should be with these two teams. It should have gone seven games."

Miami has the home-court advantage for the finale, though home court has meant nothing in this series. The Heat went 2-1 in Boston, and the Celtics have gone 2-1 in Miami so far with the two wins coming by a combined 38 points. Boston's 6-2 road record is the best of any team in this season's playoffs.

And that has the Celtics brimming with confidence, even though road teams are 34-110 all time — a winning percentage of .236 — in Game 7s.

"Scale of 1 to 10? Ten. I mean, it shouldn't be any less than that, right?" Celtics forward Jayson Tatum said when asked how certain he is that Boston can win the series on Miami's floor. "You know, it's the last game. That's what it's all about."

Injuries have been one of the major storylines of the series, and that remains the case Sunday.

Butler has been dealing with knee issues and twisted an ankle late in Game 6 though still came through with arguably the best game of his career. Kyle Lowry and Max Strus — who had big bounce-backs Friday after posting a combined zero points in Game 5 — still have hamstring concerns. For Boston, Marcus Smart has had a balky ankle, Robert Williams III's knee is an ongoing question and Jaylen Brown banged a knee on a drive in Game 5, though finished the game with no obvious ill effects.

"This time of year, there's nobody 100% healthy, both sides," Miami's P.J. Tucker said. "I'm sure they've got a bunch of guys, too, just trying to figure it out and give what they can. Try to win. That's it. You can't get these days back. It's living in the moment, trying to just do what you can."

The Heat might get one key piece back: Tyler Herro, who has been sidelined for the last three games with a strained groin, is going to try some on-court work Sunday in hopes of playing in Game 7.

For Nets, endgame could be closer than many think

By Kristian Winfield
New York Daily News

Last summer I got a tip I didn't want to believe: A source familiar with the inner workings of the Nets roster told me James Harden would leave Brooklyn.

Followed by Kyrie Irving, then ultimately Kevin Durant, a purported course of events that would undoubtedly send the Nets back to the bottom of the Eastern Conference standings after just three seasons in the spotlight.

Fast forward one summer and Harden is now an afterthought. And if the Nets aren't careful, Irving is next.

And we all know where the Nets are after that: the endgame.

If Irving leaves outright as a free agent this summer, disgruntled by the Nets' hardball stance on his availability, Brooklyn doesn't have the cap space to replace him with a star, which means Durant, entering Year 16, could be playing with a questionable Ben Simmons (back surgery) and a roster full of role players.

That's a first-round exit at best — if Durant stays to see it, and according to multiple sources, Durant and the Nets front office have not spoken since they were swept out of the first round.

In layman's terms, if Irving leaves the Nets, it wouldn't be a surprise if Durant becomes frustrated with the organization's ability to put championship pieces around him. They failed to do so at the beginning of last season, with none of their top offseason acquisitions — James Johnson, DeAndre Bembry or Jevon Carter — finishing the year in Brooklyn.

This is why the Nets' championship hopes hinge on an amicable solution with Irving, whose personal decision not to get vaccinated and unpredictable injury history have left the Nets hesitant, and now, according to a source familiar with the Nets' thought process, outright unwilling to give him a long-term extension.

Irving played in just 29 games last season, restricted by both New York City's vaccine mandate and the Nets' decision not to incorporate him into the rotation for road games until mid-December. The season before, he appeared in only 54 games, missing several stretches for "personal reasons," and in his first season in Brooklyn, a nagging shoulder injury limited him to only 20 games played.

Yet this is the hand the Nets dealt themselves. They chose to live and die with Irving the second they signed him, Durant and DeAndre Jordan in the summer of 2019. They then surrendered all their cap flexibility in the Harden trade with Houston and still have no flexibility to sign free agents after replacing Harden's max contract with Simmons'.

That's the scary reality the Nets face, not four years of Irving's availability — or lack thereof — but the alternative: coming a half-size smaller shoe away from a trip to the NBA Finals, only to be pegged as an unserious franchise shortly after if both Irving and Durant leave Brooklyn.

For obvious reasons on Irving's side, a one-year deal is unacceptable. A player widely regarded as one of the most skilled NBA players of all time who has the injury history Irving has would never agree to a one-year deal. If Irving gets hurt on the job, no matter how many consecutive games he played prior to the injury, he would have no long-term security.

This is the part Irving must reconcile with himself. Had he not missed so many games for personal reasons two seasons ago, maybe the Nets would have looked at his decision not to get vaccinated as an outlier, as a mere personal choice amid a global pandemic no one saw coming. But Irving succumbed to his emotions after the Jan. 6, 2021, Capitol insurrection and missed two weeks' worth of games. He later missed additional games for reasons he kept private.

Then he refused the COVID-19 vaccine, leaving his teammates hanging, frustrating Harden and forcing his teammates to play above their means. Had he gotten the jab, three alternate realities are on the table: maybe Harden stays, maybe the Nets go further than a first-round sweep, and maybe Brooklyn's front office views Irving as reliable and gives him the contract extension he desires.

GOLF

No. 1 Scheffler has lead alone going to Colonial final round

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press



Scottie Scheffler watches his putt on the second green Saturday during the third round of the Charles Schwab Challenge at Colonial Country Club in Fort Worth, Texas. **EMIL LIPPE/AP**

FORT WORTH, Texas — Scottie Scheffler almost made it through another round at Colonial without a bogey, this time with wind gusting through the trees at Hogan's Alley. The world's top-ranked player has the lead alone after the third round.

Scheffler, whose only bogey at Colonial so far came at No. 17 on Saturday, shot a 2-under 68 with wind gusts of around 30 mph and temperatures in the upper-90s. His 11-under total was two strokes ahead of Brendon Todd, whose third-round 65 was bogey-free, and Scott Stallings (70).

"I was playing good golf. It was really tough out there," Scheffler said. "The winds were up really high. The greens were actually pretty firm, and so it was challenging."

Consecutive birdies to start the back nine gave Scheffler a two-stroke lead. He had a 20-foot chip-in from the left edge of the green at No. 10, then hit a 357-yard drive and 250-yard approach at the 621-yard 11th before pitching to 6 inches.

Scheffler's bogey was a three-putt from 37 feet at No. 17, where his 5-foot par chance slid just left of the cup. He got that stroke back with a 31-foot birdie on his final putt of the day.

"I was glad it was going toward the cup. I hit it a little bit too firm. I struggled a little bit with the speed of the greens today. It's tough when the wind gets blowing that hard," he said. "Like 18, I'm putting downhill but straight into the wind, and depending on what kind of gust I get, it's going to move that ball around on the green a lot."

The only bogey-free round other than Todd was a 68 by Harold Varner III, who was alone in fourth place at 8 under.

"I didn't know it was bogey-free," Varner said afterward. "But when the wind is up like that, you just want to hang in there, and I thought I did a really good job of that for sure."

After Scheffler missed the cut last week at the PGA Championship, his first cut since his season debut in October, the Masters champion goes into Sunday's final round with a chance for his fifth career PGA Tour victory — all in a span of 10 starts since mid-February.

More gusty wind and high temperatures are in the forecast for Sunday

The last PGA Tour player with five wins in a season before the start of June was Tom Watson in 1980.

Todd got to 9 under with a 31-foot birdie putt at the par-3 eighth hole that put him 5 under for his round before 10 consecutive pars. That was his second birdie of at least 30 feet — the other came at No. 2 after he opened with an 8-foot eagle putt at the 551-yard first hole.



The Bruins' Brad Marchand had arthroscopic surgery on both hips and isn't expected to be able to play until around Thanksgiving. **KARL B DEBLAKER/AP**

BRUINS

Marchand out 6 months after having hip surgery

By Steve Conroy
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As we still await word of a possible contract extension for general manager Don Sweeney and the future of coach Bruce Cassidy, the Bruins offseason got off to a bumpy start.

The B's announced Friday evening that star left wing Brad Marchand underwent arthroscopic hip surgery and labral repairs on both hips. Recovery time is expected to be approximately six months, which would keep him out of the Bruins' lineup until around Thanksgiving, traditionally a time when teams are gauging whether or not they are an actual contender.

Surgery was performed in New York by Dr. Bryan Kelly at the Hospital for Special Surgery on Friday, according to the press release.

The news was not entirely unexpected, as Sweeney had said in his end-of-season press conference that a hip procedure was a possibility for Marchand. But in an offseason that is already filled with uncertainty, this is not the best news for the Bruins, who are also waiting to hear if their captain and mainstay of 18 years, Patrice Bergeron, will continue playing. Whether this news is another factor that would push Bergeron toward retirement remains to be seen.

Marchand had what was for him an up-and-down season. He led the Bruins in scoring in both the regular season and in their seven-game first-round series against the Carolina Hurricanes. But he incurred two suspensions, the second of which kept him out for six games in February. He had also suffered a shoulder injury in January when he was hit by Washington's Garnet Hathaway, but he was able to play through that.

When he returned from the suspension that he received for punching and high-sticking Pittsburgh goalie Tristan Jarry, Marchand struggled to produce at the same elite rate. Down the stretch, he went 11 games without a goal. In the playoffs, Marchand again picked up the pace, leading the Bruins in scoring with four goals and seven assists in the seven games against the Hurricanes.

In the first half of the season, in which the Bruins were incorporating a handful of new players into their lineup, Marchand led the way in keeping the team afloat. Despite the late tail-off, he led the team with 32-48—80 totals. Now they'll need early contributions from someone else.

If Bergeron does not return and Marchand misses the first two months of the season, just making the playoffs could be a challenge for the Bruins.

SCOREBOARD

NBA

PLAYOFFS
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
#2 Boston 3, #1 Miami 3
May 17: Miami 118-107
May 19: Boston 127-102
May 21: Miami 109-103
May 23: Boston 102-82
May 25: Boston 93-80.
May 27: Miami 111-103
Sunday: at Miami, 8:30 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
#3 Golden State 4, #4 Dallas 1
May 18: Golden State 112-87
May 20: Golden State 122-115
May 22: Golden State 109-100
May 24: Dallas 119-109
May 26: Golden State 120-110

NBA FINALS SCHEDULE
Game 1: Thursday: Miami/Boston vs. Golden State, 9 ET, ABC
Game 2: June 5: Miami/Boston vs. Golden State, 8 ET, ABC
Game 3: June 8: Golden State vs. Miami/Boston, 9 ET, ABC
Game 4: June 10: Golden State vs. Miami/Boston, 9 ET, ABC
x-Game 5: June 13: Miami/Boston vs. Golden State, 9 ET, ABC
x-Game 6: June 16: Golden State vs. Miami/Boston, 9 ET, ABC
x-Game 7: June 19: Miami/Boston vs. Golden State, 8 ET, ABC

NBA PLAYOFF LEADERS
Through Saturday

SCORING AVERAGE	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Antetokounmpo, MIL	12	140	91	380	31.7
Doncic, DAL	15	160	104	475	31.7
Jokic, DEN	5	61	28	155	31.0
Morant, MEM	9	81	65	244	27.1
Tatum, BOS	17	148	111	460	27.1
Ingram, NO	6	56	39	162	27.0
Butler, MIA	16	153	103	431	26.9
Durant, BKN	4	32	34	105	26.3
Curry, GS	16	136	83	415	25.9
Mitchell, UTA	6	53	37	153	25.5
Edwards, MIN	6	50	28	151	25.2
Embiid, PHI	10	78	73	236	23.6
Booker, PHO	10	79	47	233	23.3
Brown, BOS	17	139	68	389	22.9
Siakam, TOR	6	51	31	137	22.8
McCollum, NO	6	49	18	133	22.2
Towns, MIN	6	39	43	131	21.8
Brunson, DAL	18	145	72	388	21.6
Irving, BKN	4	28	21	85	21.3
Hunter, ATL	5	39	16	106	21.2
DeRozan, CHI	5	39	26	104	20.8
Maxey, PHI	12	88	47	249	20.8
Thompson, GS	16	122	16	317	19.8
Vucevic, CHI	5	40	4	97	19.4
LaVine, CHI	4	27	14	77	19.3
Holiday, MIL	12	89	26	229	19.1
Bane, MEM	12	76	30	225	18.8
Harden, PHI	12	64	67	223	18.6
Poole, GS	16	102	55	294	18.4
Bogdanovic, UTA	6	39	19	108	18.0
Ayton, PHO	13	105	21	233	17.9
Clarkson, UTA	6	40	16	105	17.5
Paul, PHO	13	87	35	228	17.5
Anunoby, TOR	6	39	12	104	17.3
Harris, PHI	12	81	19	203	16.9
Wiggins, GS	16	98	33	253	15.8
Jackson, MEM	12	59	40	185	15.4
Young, ATL	5	22	26	77	15.4
Trent, TOR	6	31	17	92	15.3
Smart, BOS	14	71	36	209	14.9
Brooks, MEM	11	60	16	161	14.6
Curry, BKN	4	22	2	58	14.5
Valanciunas, NO	6	33	20	87	14.5
Bogdanovic, ATL	4	20	8	57	14.3

3-PT FG PERCENTAGE	3FG	3FGA	PCT
Payton, GS	6	8	.750
Holiday, PHO	5	7	.714
Knox, ATL	6	10	.600
Mills, BKN	7	13	.538
Moody, GS	7	13	.538
Milton, PHI	8	15	.533
Curry, BKN	12	23	.522
McDaniels, MIN	10	20	.500
Bane, MEM	43	88	.489
Murphy, NO	9	19	.474
Tucker, MIA	23	49	.469
Hunter, ATL	12	26	.462

WNBA

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Connecticut	6	2	.750	—
Washington	6	3	.667	½
Atlanta	4	3	.571	1½
Chicago	4	3	.571	1½
Indiana	3	7	.300	4
New York	1	6	.143	4½
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Las Vegas	8	1	.889	—
Dallas	5	3	.625	2½
Seattle	4	3	.571	3
Los Angeles	3	6	.333	5
Phoenix	2	5	.286	5
Minnesota	2	6	.250	5½

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Las Vegas 83, Chicago 76
Connecticut 79, Washington 71

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Phoenix at Atlanta, Noon
New York at Seattle, 6p.m.
Los Angeles at Minnesota, 7p.m.

MONDAY'S GAMES
No games scheduled

TUESDAYS GAMES
Washington at Indiana, 7p.m.
Phoenix at Chicago, 8p.m.
Connecticut at Las Vegas, 10p.m.
Dallas at Los Angeles, 10:30p.m.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Indiana 102, Los Angeles 96
Seattle 79, New York 71(OT)

USFL

All games in Birmingham, Ala.

NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
x-New Jersey	6	1	0	.857	152	118
Philadelphia	3	3	0	.500	141	153
Michigan	1	5	0	.167	104	113
Pittsburgh	1	5	0	.167	76	138
SOUTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
Birmingham	6	0	0	1.000	162	109
New Orleans	4	2	0	.667	136	101
Tampa Bay	3	4	0	.429	125	154
Houston	1	5	0	.167	132	142

x-clinched playoff berth

WEEK 7
SATURDAY'S RESULTS
New Jersey 20, Tampa Bay 13
New Orleans at Michigan, late

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Birmingham at Pittsburgh, 2p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 6 p.m.

WEEK 8
FRIDAY, JUNE 3
Pittsburgh at New Jersey, 8p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4
New Orleans at Birmingham, 3p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 5
Michigan at Philadelphia, noon
Houston at Tampa Bay, 4p.m.

ODDS

MLB	SUNDAY		
NATIONAL LEAGUE			
FAVORITE	**LINE**	**UNDERDOG**	**Line**
San Francisco	-142	at Cincinnati	+122
at Atlanta	-200	Miami	+172
at Washington	-117	Colorado	-103
Milwaukee	-132	at St. Louis	+113
at San Diego	-260	Pittsburgh	+215
LA Dodgers	-205	at Arizona	+175
at NY Mets	-120	Philadelphia	+100
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
at Boston	-170	Baltimore	+150
Cleveland	-148	at Detroit	+128
at Tampa Bay	-123	NY Yankees	+103
at Minnesota	-177	Kansas City	+158
Toronto	-112	at LA Angels	-104
Texas	off	at Oakland	off
Houston	-122	at Seattle	+104
INTERLEAGUE			
at Chi. Wh. Sox	-165	Chi. Cubs	+145

NBA PLAYOFFS	SUNDAY		
FAVORITE	**LINE**	**O/U**	**UNDERDOG**
Boston	2½	(195½)	at Miami

For the latest odds, go to FanDuel Sportsbook, https://sportsbook.fanduel.com/

NHL

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS
SECOND ROUND
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Carolina 3, N.Y. Rangers 2
May 18: Carolina 2-1 (OT)
May 20: Carolina 2-0
May 22: at N.Y. Rangers 3-1
May 24: N.Y. Rangers 4-1
May 26: Carolina 3-1.
Saturday: at N.Y. Rangers, late
x-Monday: at Carolina, 8 p.m.

Tampa Bay 4, Florida 0

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Edmonton 4, Calgary 1

Colorado 4, St. Louis 2
May 17: Colorado 3-2 (OT)
May 19: St. Louis 4-1
May 21: Colorado 5-2
May 23: Colorado 6-3.
May 25: St. Louis 5-4 (OT)
May 27: Colorado 3-2

CONFERENCE FINALS
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Tampa Bay vs. Carolina/NY Rangers
Wednesday: Tampa Bay at Carolina/NY Rangers, 8 p.m.
Friday: Tampa Bay at Carolina/NY Rangers, 8 p.m.
June 5: Hurricanes/NY Rangers at Tampa Bay, 3 p.m.
June 7: Carolina/NY Rangers at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.
x-June 9: Tampa Bay at Carolina/NY Rangers, 8 p.m.
x- June 11: Carolina/NY Rangers at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.
x-June 14: Tampa Bay at Carolina/NY Rangers, 8 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Colorado vs. Edmonton
Tuesday: Edmonton at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Thursday: Edmonton at Colorado, 8 p.m.
June 4: Colorado at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
June 6: Colorado at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
x-June 8: Edmonton at Colorado, TBA
x-June 10: Colorado at Edmonton, TBA
x-June 12: Edmonton at Colorado, TBA

AUTO RACING

INDIANAPOLIS 500 LINEUP
Race Sunday at Indianapolis Ind.)
Motor Speedway

PP	#	DRIVER	MK	MPH
Row 1				
1	9	Scott Dixon	D-H	234.046
2	10	Alex Palou	D-H	233.499
3	21	Rinus VeeKay	D-C	233.385
Row 2				
4	33	Ed Carpenter	D-C	233.080
5	8	Marcus Ericsson	D-H	232.764
6	1	Tony Kanaan	D-H	232.372
Row 3				
7	5	Pato O'Ward	D-C	232.705
8	7	Felix Rosenqvist	D-C	232.182
9	28	Romain Grosjean	D-H	231.999
Row 4				
10	51	Takuma Sato	D-H	231.670
11	12	Will Power	D-C	231.534
12	48	Jimmie Johnson	D-H	231.264
Row 5				
13	18	David Malukas	D-H	231.607
14	2	Josef Newgarden	D-C	231.580
15	23	Santino Ferrucci	D-C	231.508
Row 6				
16	60	Simon Pagenaud	D-H	231.275
17	11	JR Hildebrand,	D-C	231.112
18	20	Conor Daly	D-C	230.999
Row 7				
19	77	Callum Ilott	D-C	230.916
20	27	Alexander Rossi	D-H	230.812
21	15	Graham Rahal	D-H	230.766
Row 8				
22	24	Sage Karam	D-C	230.464
23	98	Marco Andretti	D-H	230.345
24	29	Devlin DeFrancesco	D-H	230.326
Row 9				
25	26	Colton Herta	D-H	230.235
26	3	Scott McLaughlin	D-C	230.154
27	06	Helio Castroneves	D-H	229.630
Row 10				
28	14	Kyle Kirkwood	D-C	229.406
29	4	Dalton Kellett	D-C	228.916
30	(6	Juan P Montoya	D-C	228.622
Row 11				
31	30	Christian Lungaard	D-H	227.053
32	45	Jack Harvey	D-H	226.851
33	25	Stefan Wilson	D-C	no speed

C-Chevrolet; H-Honda

INDYCAR POINTS STANDINGS

DRIVER	EV	W	PD	PP	PT
Will Power	5	0	2	1	170
Alex Palou	5	0	3	0	156
Scott McLaughlin	5	1	2	1	152
Josef Newgarden	5	2	2	0	140
Scott Dixon	5	0	0	0	133
Colton Herta	5	1	1	1	132
Patricio O'Ward	5	1	1	0	126
Marcus Ericsson	5	0	1	0	117
Romain Grosjean	5	0	1	0	114
Rinus VeeKay	5	0	1	1	113
Simon Pagenaud	5	0	1	0	109
Graham Rahal	5	0	0	0	98
Takuma Sato	5	0	0	0	87
Felix Rosenqvist	5	0	0	1	85
Alexander Rossi	5	0	0	0	81
Conor Daly	5	0	0	0	80
Christian Lundgaard	5	0	0	0	79
Helio Castroneves	5	0	0	0	71
David Malukas	5	0	0	0	62
Callum Ilott	5	0	0	0	61
Jack Harvey	4	0	0	0	61
Jimmie Johnson	5	0	0	0	59
Kyle Kirkwood	5	0	0	0	51
Devlin DeFrancesco	5	0	0	0	42
Tatiana Calderon	4	0	0	0	41
Dalton Kellett	5	0	0	0	35
Santino Ferrucci	1	0	0	0	22
Ed Carpenter	1	0	0	0	18
J.R. Hildebrand	1	0	0	0	17
Juan P. Montoya	1	0	0	0	6

NASCAR CUP SERIES DRIVER POINT STANDINGS

DRIVER	W	T5	T10	PTS
Chase Elliott	1	3	9	475
Ryan Blaney	0	4	6	423
Kyle Busch	1	4	9	417
William Byron	2	4	4	415
Ross Chastain	2	7	8	407
Martin Truex, Jr.	0	2	6	400
Joey Logano	1	4	6	396
Alex Bowman	1	3	8	386
Kyle Larson	1	6	7	376
Christopher Bell	0	3	7	359
Kevin Harvick	0	2	6	335
Aric Almirola	0	1	4	322
Austin Dillon	0	3	6	311
Chase Briscoe	1	2	3	300
Tyler Reddick	0	4	5	300
Austin Cindric	1	1	2	291
Erik Jones	0	1	4	290
Kurt Busch	1	3	5	283
Daniel Suarez	1	2	4	273
Denny Hamlin	1	2	2	267
Chris Buescher	0	0	3	261
Bubba Wallace	0	1	2	257
Justin Haley	0	1	1	245
Michael McDowell	0	0	4	245
Ricky Stenhouse, Jr.	0	1	4	227
Ty Dillon	0	0	1	222
Cole Custer	0	0	0	215
Harrison Burton	0	0	0	185
Todd Gilliland	0	0	0	185
Corey LaJoie	0	1	1	179
Brad Keselowski	0	0	1	176
Cody Ware	0	0	0	112
B.J. McLeod	0	0	0	79
David Ragan	0	0	1	61
Garrett Smithley	0	0	0	28
Greg Biffle	0	0	0	24
Jacques Villeneuve	0	0	0	15
Boris Said	0	0	0	11
Joey Hand	0	0	0	2

NASCAR CUP FASTEST LAPS
Points standing positions, percentage and total fastest laps:

DRIVER	POS.	PCT.	LAPS
1. William Byron	4	6.5	191
2. Chase Elliott	1	6.3	187
3. Kyle Busch	3	6.1	180
4. Ross Chastain	56	177	
5. Martin Truex Jr	6	5.8	170
6. Ryan Blaney	2	5.2	153
7. Kyle Larson	9	5.1	151
8. Tyler Reddick	15	4.9	144
9. Kurt Busch	18	4.4	131
10. Chase Briscoe	14	4.3	127

LAPS LED

DRIVER	EV	LAPS	LED
William Byron	13	3393	569
Ryan Blaney	13	3409	371
Chase Elliott	13	3577	359
Ross Chastain	13	3241	273
Kyle Busch	13	3302	243
Tyler Reddick	13	3280	230
Kyle Larson	13	3204	196

TENNIS

126TH FRENCH OPEN
day at Stade Roland Garros, Paris; Red clay-outdoors
MEN'S SINGLES, THIRD ROUND
#2Daniil Medvedev d.
#28Miomir Kecmanovic, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2.
#4Stefanos Tsitsipas d.
Mikael Ymer, 6-2, 6-2, 6-1.
#7Andrey Rublev d.
Cristian Garin, 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 7-6(11).
#8Casper Ruud d. #32Lorenzo Sonego, 6-2, 6-7(3), 1-6, 6-4, 6-3.
#11Jannik Sinner d.
Mackenzie McDonald, 6-3, 7-6(6), 6-3.
#12Hubert Hurkacz d.
David Goffin, 7-5, 6-2, 6-1.
#20Marin Cilic d.
Gilles Simon, 6-0, 6-3, 6-2.
Holger Rune d.
Hugo Gaston, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES, THIRD ROUND
#1Iga Swiatek d.
Danka Kovinic, 6-3, 7-5.
#29Veronika Kudermetova d.
#3Paula Badosa, 6-3, 2-1, ret.

Time: 1:08.	BADOSA	KUDRMTVA
Aces	0	5
Double Faults	4	1
First serves in	60%	60%
Win on 1st srv pct.	56%	66%
Win on 2nd srv pct.	54%	50%
Max serve speed	108mph	102mph
1st serve avg	95mph	96mph
2nd serve avg.	79mph	88mph
RECEIVING POINTS		
Break points won	1-6	3-5
Receiving pts won	22-53	21-42
TOTAL POINTS WON		
Winners	13	17
Unforced errors	21	17
Forced errors	14	13
Net points won	3-4	4-8

#28Camila Giorgi d.
#7Aryna Sabalenka, 4-6, 6-1, 6-0.
#11Jessica Pegula d.
#24Tamara Zidansek, 6-1, 7-6(2).
#22Madison Keys d.
#16Elena Rybakina, 3-6, 6-1, 7-6(3).
#20Daria Kasatkina d.
Shelby Rogers, 6-3, 6-2.
Irina-Camelia Begu d.
Leolia Jeanjean, 6-1, 6-4.
Zheng Qinwen d.
Alize Cornet, 6-0, 3-0, ret.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN	W	L	TPTS	GF	GA
Philadelphia	6	1	6	24	18	9
New York City FC	7	3	2	23	24	10
New York	6	3	5	23	24	15
Orlando City	6	4	3	21	16	17
CF Montréal	6	5	2	20	24	23
Cincinnati	6	6	1	19	18	21
Charlotte FC	5	7	1	16	12	16
Columbus	4	5	4	16	17	16
Atlanta	4	5	4	16	20	20
New England	4	5	3	15	21	22
Toronto FC	4	7	3	15	21	27
Inter Miami CF	4	6	3	15	13	21
D.C. United	4	7	2	14	17	23
Chicago	2	7	5	11	13	20
WESTERN	**W**	**L**	**TPTS**	**GF**	**GA**
Los Angeles FC	9	3	2	29	29	16
Austin FC	7	3	3	24	27	14
FC Dallas	6	3	4	22	21	12
Real Salt Lake	6	3	4	22	14	17
LA Galaxy	6	5	2	20	13	14
Nashville	5	4	4	19	15	15
Houston	5	5	3	18	17	14
Colorado	5	5	3	18	15	14
Minnesota United	5	5	3	18	15	14
Portland	3	5	6	15	20	23
San Jose	3	6	5	14	25	32
Seattle	4	6	1	13	13	15
Sporting KC	3	7	4	13	13	25
Vancouver	3	7	2	11	13	23

Three points for win, one point for tie.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Los Angeles FC 3, San Jose 2
Columbus 2, Atlanta 1
New York 4, D.C. United 1
Toronto FC 3, Chicago 2
Cincinnati at CF Montréal, late
Philadelphia at New England, late
FC Dallas at Orlando City, late
Portland at Miami, late
New York City FC at Minnesota, late
Nashville at Colorado, late
Vancouver at Sporting KC, late
Houston at Real Salt Lake, late

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Austin FC at LA Galaxy, 4p.m.
Charlotte FC at Seattle, 9:30p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4
Real Salt Lake at Vancouver, 7p.m.

U.S. OPEN CUP
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, QUARTERFINAL
LA Galaxy vs. Sacramento Republic FC, 10:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S JUNE 22 QUARTERFINAL
New York FC vs. N.Y. Red Bulls, 8 p.m.
Union Omaha vs. Sporting KC, 8:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29 QUARTERFINAL
Nashville SC vs. Orlando City, 7p.m.

NWSL

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
San Diego FC	4	1	0	12	8	2
Angel City FC	3	1	0	9	4	2
Louisville	2	1	2	8	6	5
Orlando	2	2	2	8	9	11
Houston	2	1	1	7	5	2
Chicago	2	1	0	6	7	5
Washington	1	1	3	6	5	5
OL Reign	1	1	3	6	4	4
Portland	1	1	2	5	4	3
Gotham FC	1	2	0	3	3	5
Kansas City	0	4	1	1	2	9
North Carolina	0	3	0	0	2	5

Three points for win, one point for tie.

SATURDAY'S RESULT
Portland at Chicago, late

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
San Diego Wave FC at OL Reign, 3p.m.
North Carolina at Houston, 7p.m.
Gotham FC at Angel City FC, 8p.m.

MONDAY'S MATCH
Louisville at Kansas City, 3p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1
Chicago at Washington, 7:30p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 3
Orlando at Houston, 8:30p.m.
Angel City FC at Portland, 10:30p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4
OL Reign at Chicago, 3p.m.
Washington at Gotham FC, 7p.m.
North Carolina at Louisville, 8p.m.
San Diego FC at Kansas City, 8:30p.m.
FRIDAY'S RESULT
Washington 2, Orlando 2

UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE,
SATURDAY'S CHAMPIONSHIP
Stade de France, Saint-Denis
Real Madrid (Spatin) 1,
Liverpool (England) 0

RECENT UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE MATCHUPS
April 14, 2021: Liverpool 0-0.
Apr 6, 2021: Madrid 3-1.
May 26, 2018: Madrid 3-1.
Nov 4, 2014: Madrid 1-0.
Oct 22, 2014: Madrid 3-0.

Performances in the European Cup and UEFA Champions League by club

CLUB	TITLES	RNUP
Real Madrid (Spain)	14	3
Milan (taly)	(7	4
Bayern Munich (Germany)	6	5
Liverpool (England)	6	4
Barcelona (Spain)	5	3
Ajax (Netherlands)	4	2

U.S. MEN'S SCHEDULE
June 1: vs. Morocco at TQL Stadium, Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m.
June 5: vs. Uruguay at Children's Mercy Park, Kansas City, Kan.5 p.m.
n-June 10: vs. Grenada, 10 p.m.
n-June 14: vs. El Salvador, 10 p.m.
w-Nov. 21: TBA, 2 p.m.
w-Nov. 25: vs. England, 2 p.m.
w-Nov. 29: vs. Iran, 2 p.m.
n-March 23, 2023: vs. Grenada, TBA
n-March 26, 20203: vs. El Savador, TBA
n-Nationas Cup;
w-FIFA World Cup, Qatar

GOLF

CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE
3rd of 4 rounds, Colonial Country Club, Fort Worth, Texas, 7,209 yards, Par 70

Scottie Scheffler	66-65-68—199	-11
Scott Stallings	67-64-70—201	-9
Brendon Todd	68-68-65—201	-9
Harold Varner III	66-68-68—202	-8
Cameron Davis	66-68-69—203	-7
John Huh	69-66-68—203	-7
Chris Kirk	66-67-70—203	-7
Patrick Reed	66-66-71—203	-7
Beau Hossler	66-65-73—204	-6
Mito Pereira	70-66-68—204	-6
Davis Riley	67-67-70—204	-6
Chri. Bezuidenhout	68-68-69—205	-5
Pat Perez	67-66-72—205	-5
Andrew Putnam	73-65-67—205	-5
Chad Ramey	70-66-69—205	-5
Jordan Spieth	69-66-70—205	-5
Sam Burns	71-68-67—206	-4
Tony Finau	71-68-67—206	-4
Kurt Kitayama	71-65-70—206	-4
Russell Knox	68-68-70—206	-4
Kevin Na	67-71-68—206	-4
Adam Svensson	69-68-69—206	-4
Sahith Theegala	70-69-67—206	-4
Dylan Frittelli	67-70-70—207	-3
Lucas Glover	70-67-70—207	-3
Viktor Hovland	69-65-73—207	-3
Sungjae Im	70-70-67—207	-3
Matt Jones	70-66-71—207	-3
Denny McCarthy	68-68-71—207	-3
Alex Smalley	72-66-69—207	-3
Talor Gooch	72-69-67—208	-2
Emiliano Grillo	69-68-71—208	-2
Lee Hodges	69-71-68—208	-2
Zach Johnson	70-71-67—208	-2
Max McGreevy	68-66-74—208	-2
Webb Simpson	66-69-73—208	-2
Austin Smotherman	67-71-70—208	-2
Luke Donald	69-69-71—209	-1
Charley Hoffman	68-70-71—209	-1
Ryan Palmer	69-69-71—209	-1
Nick Taylor	66-71-72—209	-1
Daniel Berger	71-70-69—210	E
Tyler Duncan	71-67-72—210	E
Rickie Fowler	69-70-71—210	E
Bill Haas	68-71-71—210	E
Sebastian Munoz	70-70-70—210	E
Ian Poulter	70-69-71—210	E
Matthias Schwab	69-71-70—210	E
Brandt Snedeker	71-69-70—210	E
Joel Dahmen	71-70-70—211	+1
Lucas Herbert	71-70-70—211	+1
Max Homa	69-69-73—211	+1
Troy Merritt	73-66-72—211	+1
Collin Morikawa	70-71-70—211	+1
Chez Reavie	68-72-71—211	+1
Rory Sabbatini	71-69-71—211	+1
Michael Thompson	73-67-71—211	+1
Tommy Fleetwood	70-69-73—212	+2
David Lipsky	71-68-73—212	+2
Adam Long	68-71-73—212	+2
Matthew NeSmith	69-71-72—212	+2

SENIOR PGA CHAMPIONSHIP
3rd of 4 rounds; The GC at Harbor Shores, Benton Harbor, Mich. 6,852 yards; Par 71

Stephen Ames	68-66-67—201	-12
Bernhard Langer	68-68-67—203	-10
Mike Weir	65-71-67—203	-10
Paul Goydos	69-68-67—204	-9
Steven Alker	64-72-69—205	-8
Alex Cejka	68-69-68—205	-8
Brian Gay	68-68-69—205	-8
Shane Bertsch	67-72-67—206	-7
Padraig Harrington	68-70-68—206	-7
Thongchai Jaidee	70-70-66—206	-7
Miguel Angel Jimenez	67-74-65—206	-7
Gene Sauers	67-73-66—206	-7
Ernie Els	67-70-70—207	-6
Brandt Jobe	68-71-68—207	-6
Robert Karlsson	66-72-69—207	-6
Thomas Levet	67-73-67—207	-6
Tracy Phillips	69-68-70—207	-6
Ricardo Gonzalez	69-72-67—208	-5
Scott McCarron	68-66-74—208	-5
Colin Montgomerie	69-71-68—208	-5
Woody Austin	67-72-70—209	-4
Mark Hensby	67-75-67—209	-4
Tim Petrovic	69-70-70—209	-4
Kevin Sutherland	68-71-70—209	-4
Duffy Waldorf	66-74-69—209	-4
K.J. Choi	68-72-70—210	-3
Darren Clarke	68-74-68—210	-3
Chris DiMarco	67-74-69—210	-3
Bob Estes	64-76-70—210	-3
Billy Mayfair	70-73-67—210	-3
Charlie Wi	70-73-67—210	-3
Michael Allen	68-73-70—211	-2
Joakim Haeggman	67-74-70—211	-2
Tim Herron	71-71-69—211	-2
Jerry Kelly	69-72-70—211	-2
Y.E. Yang	71-71-69—211	-2
Paul Broadhurst	72-69-71—212	-1
Rod Pampling	69-68-75—212	-1
James Kingston	69-71-73—213	E
Jeff Maggert	71-72-70—213	E

LATE FRI: BANK OF HOPE LPGA MATCH-PLAY
Third round at Shadow Creek, GC, Las Vegas, 6,804 yds; Par 72

MATCHUP		SCORE
#32 Caroline Masson (3-0-0)		d.
#1Minjee Lee (1-2-0)		**2&1.**
#64 Youngin Chun		d.
#33Brittany Altomare		**2 up.**
#63 Tiffany Chan	d.	
#34 Amy Olson		**2 up.**
#2 Atthaya Thitikul		d.
#31 Allison Lee		**4&3.**
#62 Allisen Corpuz	d.	
#35 Sarah Schmelzel		**6&5.**
#3 Hyo Joo Kim		d.
#30 Matilda Castren		**5&4.**
#36 Eun-Hee Ji	vs.	
#61 Kelly Tan		**tied.**
#4 Danielle Kang

SPORTS

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Morton's two homers send UConn to Big East title game

By Dom Amore
Hartford Courant

Freshman Korey Morton blasted two home runs to lead the UConn baseball team to a 7-1 victory over Creighton in the Big East Tournament semifinal round at Mason, Ohio.

With the win, the Huskies (45-13) held onto the winner's bracket and are in a commanding position, with two chances Sunday to clinch the double-elimination tournament and its automatic NCAA tournament bid. They will play the winner of the Creighton-Xavier elimination game, played later Saturday.

Pat Gallagher (9-3) held Creighton to one run in seven innings to get the win, working out of a jam in the third inning after the Bluejays had tied the score, 1-1.

Morton, from Norwalk, the son of former Red Sox pitcher Kevin Morton, missed several midseason games with an injury, but has been swinging a hot bat since returning to the lineup and came into the game with a .443 average.

He stroked a two-run single to start UConn on its way to a 4-0 win over Georgetown on Thursday and hit a three-run homer to break open a 1-1 game in the third inning Saturday, then added a solo shot to make it 5-1, his fourth and fifth homers of the season,.

"Just working on my approach all week, making in-game adjustments and not missing balls today," Morton told the Big East website. "We've just got to prepare tonight and come out and take care of business [Sunday]."

Morton hit a 3-and-0 pitch with two runners on.

"He's hitting .460-something; we're going to give him the green light," coach Jim Penders told UConnHuskies.com. "The confidence that young man has right now, you've got to take advantage of it."

A recruited walk-on, Morton joined the program without a scholarship.

"He's going to have a scholarship now," Penders said. "He's worked his butt off and made himself a hitter, and earned every penny of it."

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Cornell celebrates after defeating Rutgers in an NCAA college lacrosse semifinal game Saturday. **ADAM HUNGER /AP**

Lacrosse

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days together, a chance to play the biggest game of all, before splitting up and scattering back across the country.

"You go about the game with a one-more-play mentality," Barnwell said. "You kind of think about, not looking too far ahead. Really, being in the moment is the most crucial thing."

Maryland (17-0), which bussed back to its hotel to wait out the delay, earned another day, too, with its 13-8 victory Princeton in the second semfinal as Logan Wisnauskas score four goals, Keegan Khan three.

Barnwell, who played at Wilton High and then a year at Lawrenceville School, fought academically for one more season. To meet Cornell's standard to play as a post-grad, he had to get into the Johnson Graduate School of Management.

"Having Harrison back for this year was such a relief when it first happened," Buczek said. "He got the allowance to come back as a grad student, and we were over the moon when he got accepted into that program. Having a guy with that type of game experience on a relatively young team has been incredible for us."

Lacrosse is a game of very specific roles, and Barnwell, 6 feet, and 175 pounds, wiry and fast, takes on an unglamorous task and has been teaching it to the young players who will return. He rarely gets to shoot, but he does the dirty work, picking up ground balls, breaking up opponents' rallies and trying for turnovers. Possessions matter, and Barnell helps Cornell control the ball, allowing players such as John Piatelli to score, as he did five times vs. Rutgers, tying a 46-year-old school record with 65 in a season.

"Barny's awesome," Piatelli said. "He's a workhorse, a stallion. He can go for days, run the field for days. He's one of the guys who's a heartbeat of the team. Just always willing to fight. He makes a lot of plays out there, and sometimes it goes unnoticed because he doesn't play a glamourous position. But he's a great player, and a big reason we're in the position we are in."

Cornell's defense was disruptive, forcing Rutgers to play more defense than it usually has. Goalie Chayse Ierlan made 15 saves, as Rutgers had more shots, 46, but fewer shot on goal due to the gritty work of defenders like Barnwell.

"For me, [Barnwell] is just a calming presence back there," Ierlan said. "A veteran guy, a fifth-year senior, he's one of the most athletic guys out there and it's nice to have him in the clearing game, or a man down. He's a good guy to get the ball to, get it up the field."

Cornell is in the final for the first time since 2009. Buczek, 28, who graduated from Cornell in 2015, will be the youngest coach ever in a final, only four years older than Barnwell. So it's naturally a close-knit group Buczek has assembled, a group Barnwell wasn't ready to leave in 2021, not without a final season, even if the four-year academic calendar said it was time.

As Cornell's players were waiting out the long delay, resuming with an 8-3 lead and wrapping up their victory, the college careers were expiring graduation ceremonies taking place back in Ithica, N.Y. But for college athletes this time of year, the days, the games, the moments become more and more precious. The most successful teams are the ones that wring every last memory from their college careers, the ones who get to play in the last game with no regrets.

This much Barnwell and The Big Red earned, to take with them on their life journeys.

"The guys, my teammates, the best teammates in the world," Barnwell said. "I love these guys so much. More than anything. It's been five years, a crazy ride, but incredible to be in this position now and play for a national championship, which is what you can only dream of. ... One more game."

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NASCAR

Hamlin takes pole for Coca-Cola 600; Larson starts in back

By Steve Reed
Associated Press

CONCORD, N.C. — If Kyle Larson hopes to repeat as Coca-Cola 600 champion, he'll have to do so starting from the back of the field — and chase down some Toyotas along the way.

Denny Hamlin will start on the pole Sunday for NASCAR's longest race while Larson, the defending Cup Series champion, will begin 36th after crashing in practice.

Hamlin turned a lap of 183.68 mph for his first pole of the year and the 34th of his Cup Series career. Hamlin was also on the pole for the 2013 Coca-Cola 600 but has never won at Charlotte Motor Speedway.

Toyotas claimed the top four spots in qualifying.

Kurt Busch, who won the last Cup race at Kansas, will start alongside Hamlin on the front row for the sold out Coca-Cola 600, which is expected to draw approximately 100,000 fans. They will be followed on the second row by Hamlin's Joe Gibbs Racing teammates Christopher Bell and Kyle Busch. William Byron rounds out the top five.

"I've had such fast cars here," Hamlin said. "I've had crazy luck over the years here and there are mistakes that I have made that have kept us from winning. Man, I just really want to get this one."

Starting out front has taken on added significance in recent years at Charlotte Motor Speedway with four the last eight Coca-Cola 600 pole winners going on to win the race, including Larson last year.

Larson, the pre-race favorite according to FanDuel Sportsbook, hit the wall 10 laps into the practice session.

"It was a little weird because I hit the rev limiter right before I got into the corner," Larson said. "I don't know if I bottomed out because I hit the reveler and then got sideways. ... I hate that I did that."

Larson's crew planned to fix the existing No. 5 Chevy rather than going to a backup car.

He had the fastest time in practice prior to the wreck, turning a lap of 178.944.

"I thought my car was pretty decent before that," Larson said.

Larson turned a win at last year's Coca-Cola 600 into a championship run. He had won only one of 14 races in 2021 before his arrival in Charlotte, where he dominated the field by leading 327 of 400 laps. The 29-year-old Larson went on to win 10 races last year en route to capturing his first Cup Series title.

Hot ticket in Charlotte: NASCAR is very much still a hot ticket in its Charlotte hub. Charlotte Motor Speedway announced a sellout for the Coca-Cola 600, meaning approximately 100,000 fans are expected to attend NASCAR's longest race of the season.

Grandstand seats sold out earlier in the week, and officials announced Saturday that all premium, reserved and standing-room-only seats have all been purchased as well. It will be the largest crowd for the Coca-Cola 600 since 2017.

"This being Memorial Day weekend, it is the biggest weekend in motorsports," Marcus Smith, president and chief operating officer for Speedway Motorsports, told Associated Press on Saturday.

"And we love being the grand finale to the greatest day in motorsports, starting in Monaco and then Indianapolis and then Charlotte with the Coke 600."

NASCAR the past few years has made multiple tweaks to its traditional schedule, but the 600 has remained untouched. It's 100 miles longer than any other event on the Cup schedule and tests teams from day-to-night during challenging changing track conditions.

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when all that's going on and all that stress and anxiety, somebody has to be able to say, 'Hey, everybody take a deep breath. Let's relax. Let's focus on what we've got to do and get out of this inning.' "

There is a new program in which the two teams in the Capitol Region Athletic League are participating, called "Coaching Boys to Men." About five years ago CRAL athletic director Jon Winer went to a training session in California for the program, which teaches about respect, accountability, thinking before reacting, among other life lessons.

He never had a chance to implement it, but Miguel Rios, a local Coaching Boys to Men coordinator, reached out to Winer this year, and Winer signed up both MLC and Civic Leadership baseball teams.

"It's designed to help student-athletes recognize their mistakes and how they can contribute to acknowledging it and becoming better leaders on and off the field," Rios said. "If things do come up that aren't going your way, we try to equip them with tools to help them to think first, not react first."

The two teams went through the last of a dozen sessions Tuesday before the game.

Did it help? It was hard to tell, Reyes and Mojica said. Maybe it's just too early, or not enough time spent with the players.

Or maybe it did help a little bit.

Last year, they said, there was bad blood between the two of them — maybe not so much "bad," really more like ultra-competitiveness. They were two of the team's best players. Each wanted to be the best player.

"We both throw hard," Reyes said. "We both hit the ball.



Miguel Rios, center, shakes hands with Civic Leadership's Jose Betancourt before a game against MLC at Martin Park in East Hartford on Tuesday. Rios served as a mentor to the two baseball teams through Coaching Boys Into Men program. **JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

"I kid you not, it was like the whole season when we first played together, after the game, we were like, 'Good game, good game,' to each other. But then to everybody else we were like, 'Oh, I'm definitely better than him.' "

When they look back, it's kind of funny now.

"Now that we came together, we're leaders of the team," Mojica said. "He's better than me sometimes; I'm better than him sometimes. We have our ups and downs.

"He pitched against Innovation one time, he looked back at me and I was like, 'Come on, Raymon, you give 100 percent, I'll give 100 percent too.' He was pounding strikes.

"I have his back, he has mine."

The Weaver game, they'll never forget that. Weaver beat Civic Leadership 9-4 in the first game of the season. Reyes took the loss.

The second game on May 10 was different.

"I had his back going into that game," Mojica said. "They whupped us in the first game. Ray was pitching. We all said we wanted to get payback. I came in here, did what I had to do.

"I was locked in."

"Locked in," said Reyes, who was playing shortstop that day. "I was amazed. I was happy. I was like, 'He's shining. He's doing what he has to do. He's locked in.'

"It made me want to keep at the same level with the same enthusiasm so the whole team could stay pumped."

Civic Leadership won 3-2 in nine innings.

They have coached up the other kids too. Many are from different towns, so it's not like they all played on the same Little League team for years together. A few hadn't played baseball before.

Reyes and Mojica, who is from Hartford, have each played since age 4. So they had to swallow their frustrations sometimes and just teach.

"They hesitate to do stuff," Mojica said.

"They don't want to screw up, and we tell them, 'Look, play the game, man,' " Reyes said. "'You don't have to be scared you're going to mess up. You see the ball, come in and grab it and throw it. That's it. Don't even think about it.' "

Against teams of their caliber, like MLC, that's easier to do than against a team like Farmington or Suffield. But even with 14 losses, the kids didn't give up.

On Tuesday, Civic Leadership scored first on a fielder's choice by Mojica (Reyes walked and scored) in the third inning. MLC tied it up in the fourth when a Reyes pitch got by Mojica and a runner scored.

MLC went ahead 2-1 on two singles in the seventh. But it was the top of the lineup coming up for the Eagles in the bottom of the seventh, and after Reyes singled and Dylan Scarborough walked, Mojica reached on an error and Reyes scored to tie the game. Then Scarborough scored on a passed ball for the win.

"They are resilient," Civic coach John Gorborino said. "They all pull for each other. They're a united group, but they can be hard on each other. It's a great group of kids."

Gorborino, in his first year with the team, said he hasn't seen any differences that he can attribute specifically to the Boys to Men program on the field, but that's not to say they're not there.

"It's more of an outside of here program — acting like a man, treating women the right way, things like that," he said. "I don't see that so much. But there's been growth, maturity — it might be attributed to that partially, but I can't quantify it."

"For the younger kids on our team, it actually worked because when we go to school, we see better behavior," Mojica said.

"The season was rough for us, but I feel now they've gotten the hang of it," Reyes said Tuesday. "Now everybody's starting to be supportive."

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NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

Pham suspended 3 games for slap



Reds outfielder Tommy Pham was suspended by Major League Baseball for three games on Saturday after he slapped Giants outfielder Joc Pederson because of a dispute about their fantasy football league. Pham, 34, also was fined. The suspension was made retroactive to Friday night, and he will serve the final two games this weekend. While the Giants warmed up in the outfield before Friday's series opener, Pham confronted Pederson and smacked him in the face before the pair was separated. Pham said there was some "sketchy" stuff going on with the fantasy league, and Pederson also made "disrespectful" comments about his former team, the Padres. "We had too much money on the line, so I look at it like there's a code," Pham said. Pham also said Pederson was "messing with my money." Pederson said after Friday night's game that he was accused of cheating for placing a player on injured reserve and replacing him with a free agent in a fantasy football league. Asked Saturday about Pham's comments, Pederson declined comment. The scuffle was witnessed by reporters and occurred before fans entered the ballpark.

Charlotte still NASCAR stronghold

NASCAR is very much still a hot ticket in its Charlotte hub. Charlotte Motor Speedway announced a sellout for the Coca-Cola 600 on Sunday, meaning approximately 100,000 fans are expected to attend NASCAR's longest race of the season. Grandstand seats sold out earlier this week, and officials announced Saturday that all premium, reserved and standing-room-only seats have all been purchased as well. It will be the largest crowd for the Coca-Cola 600 since 2017. NASCAR the past few years has made multiple tweaks to its traditional schedule but the 600 has remained untouched. It's 100 miles longer than any other event on the Cup schedule and tests teams from day-to-night during challenging changing track conditions. "One of my goals is for our events, in particular the Coca-Cola 600, not to grow old, but to grow legendary," said Marcus Smith, president and chief operating officer for Speedway Motorsports. "And anybody who loves to go to events, you want to go to some of those legendary events that have been around for a long time. It's been 63 years now, and the Coke 600 is now on our fourth generation of NASCAR fans. People have been coming to Charlotte Motor Speedway with their fathers and grandfathers and are now bringing their own kids. I think that is a really special thing for us."

Final agreement in Chelsea sale



The sale of Premier League club Chelsea is expected to be completed Monday after a "final and definitive" agreement was reached with the consortium fronted by Los Angeles Dodgers part-owner Todd Boehly. The club said Saturday that "a final and definitive agreement was entered into last night" to sell to the Boehly and Clearlake Capital consortium. The price is 2.5 billion pounds ($3.2 billion) — the highest ever for a sports team. "It is expected that the transaction will be completed on Monday," the club said. The announcement followed a series of approvals allowing Roman Abramovich to sell after he was sanctioned over his links to Russian President Vladimir Putin after the invasion of Ukraine. Abramovich has owned the club for 19 years. The British government, which had sanctioned Abramovich, approved the sale this week after ensuring that the Russian oligarch could not profit from it. The Premier League had earlier given its approval. Chelsea has been operating under a government license since Abramovich's assets were frozen in March and it expires Tuesday. *AP*



Scott Dixon prepares to drive during the final practice for the Indianapolis 500 on Friday in Indianapolis. **DARRON CUMMINGS/AP**

INDIANAPOLIS 500

Improving his chances

Ganassi goes to Indy with Johnson, 5 strong shots

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Chip Ganassi skipped his 1982 graduation ceremony at Duquesne to qualify for the Indianapolis 500. The Pittsburgh native made the field but turned out to be just an OK race car driver.

His strengths were outside the car and inside the boardroom. In the 40 years since, Ganassi has built one of the top open-wheel programs in North America. Ganassi has collected 14 championships and won four Indy 500s as a team owner, though the last one for Chip Ganassi Racing was a decade ago.

That's a drought the boss doesn't find at all acceptable.

"It's been 10 years since we won here, we should be trying to win this thing," Ganassi said Friday.

Well, come Sunday, the Indy 500 appears to be Ganassi's race to lose.

He's got not one, not two, not three, but five thoroughbreds in the stable and Ganassi cars have been untouchable for nearly two weeks at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Scott Dixon starts from the pole for the fifth time in his career as the six-time IndyCar champion continues his determined quest for a second Indy 500 win. The New Zealander won from the pole in 2008 but has fallen short in 18 other tries.

Dixon has been runner-up three times, and his loss to Takuma Sato in 2020 stings the most. The race ended under yellow, and Dixon had to helplessly follow Sato across the finish line. Over the past week, he set an Indy 500 pole-winning record in qualifying with laps over 240 miles per hour (386.24 kph) and now is chasing the item atop his to-do list.

"I just want to win, that's all it comes down to," Dixon told Associated Press. "When you are younger, you don't really give a (crap). The first championship? The first Indy 500? I had no idea. It took some (crap) years for it to actually sink in what big achievements those are.

"And so those close misses, those are the ones that leave you pissed off. Those are the ones that make you keep knocking on the door, and winning another Indy 500 is top of the list. Out of everything, that is what matters most at the moment."

The competition will come from within his own camp: Ganassi driver Alex Palou, the reigning IndyCar champion and last year's Indy 500 runner-up, starts second. Dixon and Palou are both 13-2 race favorites, according to FanDuel Sportsbook.

Ganassi drivers Marcus Ericsson and 47-year-old Tony Kanaan, the oldest driver in the field, start fifth and sixth, respectively, and were fastest in Friday's "Carb Day" final practice.

And back there in 12th? Why, it's Jimmie Johnson, the seven-time NASCAR champion making his Indy 500 debut. He's achieving his childhood dream at age 46 after proving to his wife that Indy cars have dramatically improved in safety.

Johnson knows his way around the Indianapolis Motor Speedway — he won four times at the track in NASCAR — and if not for a bobble that led to a remarkable save in qualifying, Johnson would be starting much closer to his Ganassi teammates.

"Each day we get closer to the 500, it gets busy. The pressure is ramping up," said Johnson, who was sent to "The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon" this week by IndyCar to promote the 106th running of the race.

Ganassi is quick to point out that trophies aren't awarded in practice and his five-car fleet has accomplished nothing yet.

"I like our chances. We're as prepared as we can be," Ganassi said. "You're always hesitant to feel good about the race at this place, but I probably feel as good as any car owner going into the race."

The race is the first where Roger Penske will be able to fully open the gates since his purchase of the speedway in early 2020. His first Indy 500 was held without spectators, and last year he could only admit about 150,000.

Speedway officials expect to fall 5,000 tickets shy of a sellout, which would put more than 300,000 on the IMS grounds for the second-biggest 500 in decades and make the race again the largest single sports event of the year, as it usually is and certainly since the pandemic hit.

The crowd will see Pato O'Ward, who s igned a contract extension Friday with Arrow McLaren SP that makes the 23-year-old Mexican the star of the team. McLaren brought back two-time Indy 500 winner Juan Pablo Montoya for a second year — encouraged by Helio Castroneves' age-defying win last year.

Castroneves won his record-tying fourth 500 at age 46, and he's back again to try for a record fifth with the bolstered Meyer Shank Racing Team. His 22nd start is most of all other drivers in the 33-car field.

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE FINAL

Real Madrid claims 14th title after chaos

By Steve Douglas | Associated Press

PARIS — Yet another Champions League title for Real Madrid, the undisputed king of Europe.

Yet another showpiece European soccer game tarnished by chaotic crowd issues and disorder.

Madrid became European champion for a record-extending 14th time — double the number of any other team on the continent — after beating Liverpool 1-0 in a final that started 37 minutes late because of disturbing scenes outside the Stade de France on Saturday. It evoked memories of the violence that marred the European Championship final at Wembley Stadium 10 months ago.

Brazil winger Vinicius Junior was the match-winner, applying a close-range finish in the 59th minute from Federico Valverde's drive across the face of goal, while goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois took just as many plaudits by making breathtaking saves by Sadio Mane and Mohamed Salah.

"Today nobody was going to get in my way," Courtois said. "I was going to win a Champions League no matter what."

It gave Madrid coach Carlo Ancelotti a fourth European Cup title, the most ever for a manager in the competition's history, and completed the Champions League-La Liga double for a Spanish giant for whom winning titles is ingrained in its culture.

"We are the best," Madrid striker Karim Benzema said. "It was a very difficult competition for us and we deserved to win this final. With all the history this team has, we showed everyone that we are always here."

For many, especially Liverpool fans, pre-match crowd problems overshadowed this final, though, and are sure to be the focus of an investigation by UEFA and authorities in the coming days.

Riot police fired tear gas and pepper spray at Liverpool supporters forced to wait in long lines to get into the biggest club game of the European season, whose kickoff was delayed.

FRENCH OPEN

Swiatek stays cool in extending win streak

By Howard Fendrich | Associated Press

PARIS — It's been so long since No. 1-ranked Iga Swiatek lost — 31 matches in a row — and even since she ceded so much as a set — that last happened more than a month ago — that she could be forgiven if she couldn't recall how to react when in trouble on a tennis court.

Which is why it was worth watching as the 2020 French Open champion navigated a couple of tricky spots in the third round at Roland Garros on Saturday.

Turns out Swiatek didn't panic and didn't allow thoughts about this dominant run coming to an end distract her in what would become a 6-3, 7-5 victory against hard-hitting Danka Kovinic of Montenegro.

"Thinking about all these stats, it's not really helpful. So basically I try to be really strict in terms of my thoughts and try to really focus on ... finding solutions," said Swiatek, a 20-year-old from Poland whose last name is pronounced shvee-ON'-tek. "The thoughts are there, but I'm accepting that."

At a glance

LOOKAHEAD TO SUNDAY: Rafael Nadal knows the coach of his fourth-round opponent at Roland Garros rather well: It's Toni Nadal, Rafael's uncle and former longtime coach. Uncle Toni, as he's often called, began working part-time with Felix Auger-Aliassime last season. That's just one reason this is an intriguing matchup on Sunday at Court Philippe Chatrier. Nadal is a 13-time champion at the French Open and owns a men's-record 21 Grand Slam titles. Over at Court Suzanne Lenglen, defending champion Novak Djokovic will face 15th-seeded Diego Schwartzman. Three American women are in fourth-round action Sunday: 2017 U.S. Open champion Sloane Stephens vs. No. 23 Jil Teichmann of Switzerland, 18-year-old Coco Gauff vs. No. 31 Elise Mertens of Belgium, and 20-year-old Amanda Anisimova vs. 2021 U.S. Open runner-up Leylah Fernandez of Canada.

SATURDAY'S KEY RESULTS

Women's third round: No. 1 Iga Swiatek beat Danka Kovinic 6-3, 7-5; No. 29 Veronika Kudermetova beat No. 3 Paula Badosa 6-3, 2-1, retired; No. 28 Camila Giorgi beat No. 7 Aryna Sabalenka 4-6, 6-1, 6-0; No. 11 Jessica Pegula beat No. 24 Tamara Zidansek 6-1, 7-6 (2); No. 22 Madison Keys beat No. 16 Elena Rybakina 3-6, 6-1, 7-6 (3).

Men's third round: No. 2 Daniil Medvedev beat Miomir Kecmanovic 6-4, 6-2, 6-2; No. 4 Stefanos Tsitsipas beat Mikael Ymer 6-2, 6-2 6-1; No. 7 Andrey Rublev beat Cristian Garin 6-4, 3-6, 6-2, 7-6 (11); No. 8 Casper Ruud beat No. 32 Lorenzo Sonego 6-2, 6-7 (3), 1-6, 6-4, 6-3.

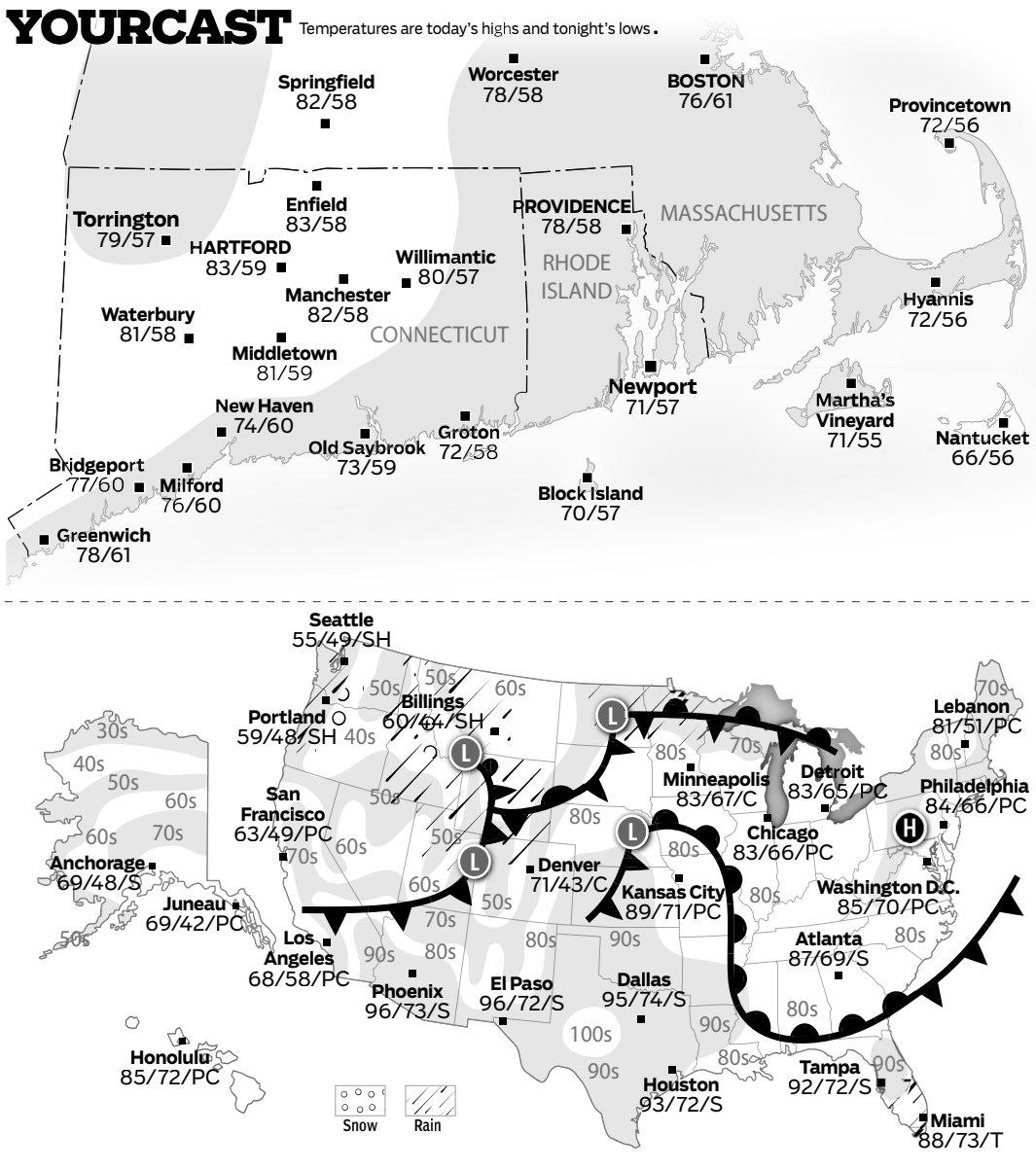
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET
Mostly sunny and warm, less humid. North wind becoming south around 5 mph.	Partly sunny, hot and humid.	Partly sunny, hot and not as humid.	Considerable cloudiness, chance for a few showers or a thunderstorm, cooler.	Mixed clouds and sunshine, warm.
HIGH 83° LOW 59°	HIGH 90° LOW 68°	HIGH 91° LOW 61°	HIGH 77° LOW 59°	HIGH 81° LOW 60°

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YOURCAST

Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.



OUTLOOK

The Memorial Day weekend got off to a wet start on Saturday with two rounds of showers and thunderstorms moving through the state, now dry weather will occur the rest of the weekend along with a major warming trend. Rainfall totals across the state included: 2.57 inches in Stamford, 2.49 inches in Danbury, 2.41 inches in Bristol, 2.28 inches in Unionville, and 1.50 inches in Burlington. High pressure will bring mostly sunny skies and much lower humidity on Sunday with dew points in the 40s and lower 50s. The heat builds on Monday with highs inland around 90 degrees.

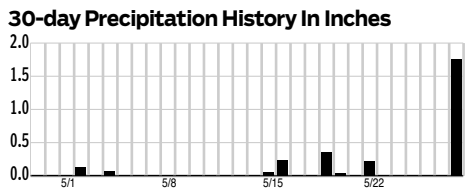
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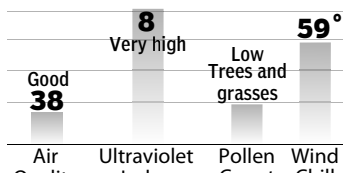
Precipitation In Inches	Total	Normal
Yesterday (by 7 p.m.)	1.75	0.13
Month to date	2.88	3.39
Total this year	17.58	17.49

Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks

30-day Precipitation History In Inches



Air Quality Forecast For Today



	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise	5:20 a.m.	5:20 a.m.
Sunset	8:16 p.m.	8:17 p.m.
Moonrise	4:44 a.m.	5:15 a.m.
Moonset	7:48 p.m.	8:51 p.m.

Moon Phase

New	First	Full	Last
May 30	June 7	June 14	June 20

Tides	High	Low	Temp.
N.L. State Pier	9:30 a.m. 9:44 p.m.	3:57 a.m. 3:46 p.m.	62°
Saybrook Jetty	10:41 a.m. 10:55 p.m.	4:50 a.m. 4:39 p.m.	62°
Connecticut River at Portland	12:58 a.m. 1:24 p.m.	8:36 a.m. 8:25 p.m.	
Madison	11:08 a.m. 11:16 p.m.	4:59 a.m. 5:01 p.m.	62°
New Haven	11:28 a.m. 11:36 p.m.	5:23 a.m. 5:25 p.m.	61°
Stamford	11:32 a.m. 11:40 p.m.	5:37 a.m. 5:39 p.m.	62°

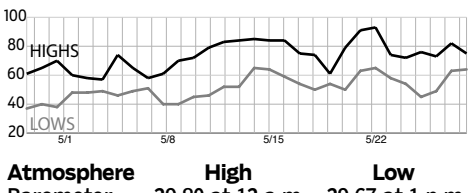
River Stage at Hartford: 3.55 feet at 4:30 p.m.

Boating	L.I. Sound W	L.I. Sound E	B. I. Sound
Weather	PCloudy	PCloudy	Patchy fog
Wind	NW/S, 5	NW/S, 5	NE/S, 5
Seas	1 ft.	1-2 ft.	2-4 ft.

Temperature	High	Low
Saturday	75 at 11:26 a.m	64 at 2:51 a.m
Normal for date	75	52
Record for date	93 in 2016	38 in 1997
A year ago	62	45
Range this year	93	-2

Heating Degree Days	Season	Normal	Last Season
For July 1 - May 28	5308	5838	5373

30-day Temperature History



Atmosphere	High	Low
Barometer	29.80 at 12 a.m.	29.67 at 1 p.m.
Dew point	66° at 1 p.m.	62° at 12 a.m.

AROUND THE WORLD

Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

NEW ENGLAND				Baltimore	83	64	PC	Nashville	87	65	S	San Juan	88	78	PC
Bangor	79	52	PC	Bismarck	74	48	PC	New Orleans	89	72	S	Tucson	96	66	S
Burlington	79	57	PC	Boise	52	39	SH	New York	80	66	S				
Caribou	74	50	PC	Buffalo	76	62	PC	Okla. City	93	69	PC	**WORLD**			
Concord	81	52	PC	Charleston	89	70	S	Omaha	90	70	PC	Amsterdam	58	45	SH
Montpelier	76	53	PC	Cincinnati	84	64	PC	Orlando	94	70	T	Athens	84	67	PC
Mt. Wash.	51	42	PC	Cleveland	82	65	PC	Pittsburgh	81	61	PC	Bangkok	93	79	PC
Portland	78	54	PC	Indianapolis	83	64	S	Raleigh	88	66	PC	Barbados	84	75	C
Woods Hole	74	57	S	Jacksonville	92	69	PC	St. Louis	89	69	S	Beijing	92	65	S
NATION				Las Vegas	91	64	S	Salt Lake City	59	43	SH	Beirut	79	72	S
Albany	80	59	PC	Miami Beach	86	77	T	San Antonio	99	76	S	Berlin	59	45	SH
Albuquerque	87	55	PC	Milwaukee	78	64	PC	San Diego	67	60	C	Bermuda	78	73	SH
Atlantic City	79	61	S												

KEY: **S** Sunny, **C** Cloudy, **PC** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **SH** Showers, **SN** Snow, **SF** Snow Flurries, **T** T-storms

Budapest	63	51	SH	Kingston	89	75	C	Stockholm	57	42	C				
Buenos Aires	56	38	S	Lisbon	72	61	PC	Sydney	64	49	SH				
Cairo	103	73	S	London	62	43	PC	Tel Aviv	82	67	S				
Cancun	87	77	SH	Madrid	88	61	PC	Tokyo	85	65	PC				
Dubai	96	83	S	Mexico City	81	56	PC	Toronto	68	57	PC				
Dublin	58	45	PC	Milan	65	55	SH	Vancouver	60	51	SH				
Edinburgh	60	45	PC	Montreal	74	62	S	Warsaw	63	48	PC				
Helsinki	57	46	SH	Moscow	60	43	SH								
Hong Kong	83	74	SH	Nassau	84	77	SH								
Istanbul	88	66	PC	New Delhi	109	87	S								
Jerusalem	87	67	S	Paris	66	45	PC								
Johannesburg	68	40	S	Prague	62	41	PC								
				Rio de Janeiro	85	71	S								
				Rome	80	63	PC								
				Seoul	74	57	SH								
				Singapore	91	80	SH								

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SATURDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

BASEBALL

CIAC State Tournaments
Class **M**—Qualifying Round
WINDHAM TECH 4, ANSONIA 1
WT 000-000-**4**—4-7-2
A 000-010-**0**—1-6-2
WP: Brody Belanger. **LP:** Brendan Palmer. Rec.: **WT**—9-12; **A**—9-12. **Note:** Belanger pitched a complete game, allowing 1run on 6hits with 2 strikeouts, 3walks. Lucas Tarbell had a double, 2 RBI and Ben Gardner was 2-for-3with a double, 1run scored.
WESTON 2, CROMWELL 1
GOODWIN TECH AT WATERTOWN, PPD.

BOYS LACROSSE

CIAC State Tournaments
Class **L**—Qualifying Round
WESTHILL 12, CONARD 4
Class **M**—Qualifying Round
GUILFORD 18, LYMAN HALL 5
POMPERAUG 10, FITCH 9
Class **S**—Qualifying Round
NEW FAIRFIELD 16, NORTH BRANFORD 12

GIRLS LACROSSE

CIAC State Tournaments
Class **L**—Qualifying Round
CHESHIRE 14, CONARD 11
FAIRFIELD LUDLOWE 14, AMITY 13
Class **M**—Qualifying Round
BRANFORD 16, E.O. SMITH 11
Class **S**—Qualifying Round
LAURALTON HALL 18, SOMERS 10
Goals: LH—Anna Garate (5), Charlotte Michener (4), Charlotte McGinness (4), Remi Sherlock (3), Hollis Huntington (2); **S**—Jamie Anthony (7), Caroline Colton (2), Palmer Oliveri. **Saves: LH**—Marnia Pinto, 14; **S**—Kayla Brown, 8. Rec.: **LH**—9-8; **S**—6-10-1.
EAST CATHOLIC 20, WHEELER/GRASSO TECH 9
HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH 8, MONTVILLE 7

GIRLS TENNIS

Class **LL**—Qualifying Round
CONARD 4, SOUTHINGTON 3

SUNDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

CIAC State Tournaments
Class **M**—Qualifying **Round:** No. 35Goodwin Tech (8-12) at No. 30Watertown (9-11), 4p.m.

TUESDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

ALL TIMES 3:30 P.M. UNLESS NOTED
CIAC State Tournaments
Class **LL**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 32Kennedy (6-12) at No. 1 Xavier (18-2), 4p.m.; No. 17Enfield (12-8) at No. 16New Canaan (12-8); No. 25Norwalk (10-10) at No. 8Danbury (16-4); No. 24Cheshire (10-10) at No. 9Naugatuck (15-5), 4p.m.; No. 29McMahon (8-12) at No. 4Southington (17-3); No. 20 Newtown (11-9) at No. 13Hall (13-7); No. 28 Hamden (9-11) at No. 5Newington (17-3); No. 21 Shelton (11-9) at No. 12Fairfield Prep (13-7)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 31Stamford (7-13) at No. 2 Amity (17-3), 3:45p.m.; No. 18Fairfield Ludlowe (12-8) at No. 15Staples (13-7), 4p.m.; No. 26West Haven (10-10) at No. 7Manchester (16-4); No. 23 Hillhouse (11-9) at No. 10Trumbull (14-6); No. 30 Simsbury (7-13) at No. 3Fairfield Warde (17-3); No. 19New Milford (12-8) at No. 14Conard (13-7); No. 27Greenwich (9-11) at No. 6Ridgefield (16-4); No. 22Westhill (11-9) at No. 11Glastonbury (14-6), 4p.m.
Class **L**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 32Kaynor Tech (8-12) at No. 1Windsor (19-1), 3:45p.m.; No. 17Masuk (11-9) at No. 16Guilford (11-9), 4p.m.; No. 25North Haven (9-11) at No. 8Lyman Hall (13-7); No. 24 Berlin (9-11) at No. 9Bethel (13-7); No. 29Middletown (8-12) at No. 4Platt (15-5); No. 20New London (10-10) at No. 13Torrington (12-8); No. 28 Pomperaug (8-12) at No. 5RHAM (15-5), 4p.m.; No. 21Ellis Tech (10-10) at No. 12Hand (12-8)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 31Farmington (8-12) at No. 2 Brookfield (18-2); No. 18Rockville (11-9) at No. 15East Lyme (11-9); No. 26Stratford (9-11) at No. 7Wilcox Tech (15-5); No. 23Bristol Eastern (9-11) at No. 10Maloney (12-8); No. 30E.O. Smith (8-12) at No. 3Fitch (16-4), 4p.m.; No. 19Wilton (11-9) at No. 14Notre Dame-West Haven (11-9); No. 27 Cheney Tech (9-11) at No. 6Wethersfield (15-5); No. 22Bristol Central (9-11) at No. 11Woodstock Academy (12-8)
Class **M**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 33Weston (9-12) at No. 1 Nonnewaug (19-1); No. 17Sheehan (12-8) at No. 16Lewis Mills (12-8); No. 25O'Brien Tech (11-9) at No. 8Killingly (14-6); No. 24St. Joseph (11-9) vs. No. 9Rocky Hill (14-6) at Griswold MS; No. 29Granby (9-11) at No. 4Barlow (17-3); No. 20 Bullard-Havens (12-8) at No. 13Haddam-Killingworth (13-7); No. 28Ledyard (9-11) at No. 5 Abbott Tech (16-4); No. 21Suffield (11-8) at No. 12Tolland (13-7)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 34Windham Tech (9-12) at No. 2Northwestern (18-2); No. 18Wolcott (12-8) at No. 15Wolcott Tech (13-7), 4p.m.; No. 26 Seymour (10-10) at No. 7Woodland (15-5); No. 23Grasso Tech (9-7) at No. 10University (12-6); Goodwin Tech/Watertown at No. 3Bacon Academy (17-3); No. 19Law (12-8) at No. 14Norwich Tech (13-7); No. 27Foran (10-10) at No. 6Ellington (16-4); No. 22Stonington (11-8) at No. 11 Waterford (13-7), 4p.m.
Class **S**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 32Terryville (6-11) at No. 1 St. Paul (20-0); No. 17Parish Hill (10-9) at No. 16 St. Bernard (10-9); No. 25Housatonic (9-9) at No. 8Coginchaug (14-6); No. 24Wamogo (10-10) at No. 9North Branford (13-7); No. 29Windsor Locks (8-12) at No. 4Old Saybrook (14-4), 4p.m.; No. 20Northwest Catholic (10-10) at No. 13Stafford (11-9); No. 28East Catholic (8-10) at No. 5 Lyman Memorial (15-5); No. 21Canton (10-10) at No. 12Immaculate (12-8)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 31East Windsor (8-12) at No. 2Valley Regional (18-2); No. 18Plainfield (10-10) at No. 15Shepaug (11-9); No. 26Hale-Ray (9-11) at No. 7Oxford (14-6), 3p.m.; No. 23SMSA (10-10) at No. 10Holy Cross (13-7), 4p.m.; No. 30East Hampton (8-12) at No. 3Somers (16-4), 3p.m.; No. 19East Granby (10-10) at No. 14Tourtellotte (11-9); No. 27Innovation (9-11) at No. 6Coventry (15-5); No. 22Old Lyme (10-10) at No. 11Whitney Tech (11-6)

SOFTBALL

ALL GAMES AT 4 P.M. UNLESS NOTED
CIAC State Tournaments
Class **LL**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 17McMahon (12-8) at No. 16 Shelton (11-7); No. 25Newington (8-9) at No. 8 West Haven (16-4); No. 24Staples (8-9) at No. 9 Newtown (16-4); No. 29Hamden (9-11) at No. 4 Glastonbury (18-2); No. 20Stamford (11-9) at No. 13Trumbull (15-5), 4:30p.m.; No. 28Wilton (9-11) at No. 5Bristol Central (17-3); No. 21Simsbury (11-9) at No. 12Cheshire (15-5), 3:30p.m.
Lower **Bracket:** No. 31Wilbur Cross (8-12) at No. 2Southington (19-1); No. 18Norwalk (11-9) at No. 15NFA (13-7); No. 26Conard (9-11) at No. 7 Enfield (16-4); No. 23New Milford (10-10) at No. 10Maloney (15-5); No. 30Darien (9-11) at No. 3 Fairfield Ludlowe (19-1); No. 19Fairfield Warde (11-9) at No. 14Amity (13-7); No. 27New Canaan (9-11) at No. 6Hall (16-3); No. 22Manchester (10-10) at No. 11Naugatuck (15-5)
Class **L**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 17North Haven (11-9) at No. 16Rockville (12-8), 3:45p.m.; No. 25E.O. Smith (9-11) at No. 8RHAM (15-5); No. 24Pomperaug (9-11) at No. 9St. Joseph (15-5); No. 29Bethel (8-12) at No. 4East Haven (18-2), 4:30p.m.; No. 20 Torrington (11-9) at No. 13Wethersfield (13-7); No. 28Killingly (8-12) at No. 5Law (18-2); No. 21 Bristol Eastern (10-10) at No. 12Brookfield (14-6)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 18Woodstock Academy (11-9) at No. 15Foran (12-8); No. 26Bullard-Havens (9-11) at No. 7Waterford (16-4), 4:15p.m.; No. 23East Lyme (10-10) at No. 10Ledyard (15-5); No. 19Hand (11-9) at No. 14Fitch (12-8); No. 27 Windsor (9-11) at No. 6Avon (16-4), 3:45p.m.; No. 22Bunnell (10-10) at No. 11Berlin (14-6)
Class **M**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 17Notre Dame-Fairfield (12-8) at No. 16Plainville (12-8); No. 25Valley Regional (8-11) at No. 8Wolcott (15-4); No. 24 Weaver (9-11) at No. 9Stonington (15-4); No. 20 Windham (11-9) at No. 13Tolland (13-7); No. 21 SHA (10-10) at No. 12Watertown (13-7)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 18Seymour (11-9) at No. 15 Rocky Hill (13-7); No. 26Sheehan (8-12) at No. 7Platt Tech (16-4), 3:45p.m.; No. 23Plainfield (9-11) at No. 10Norwich Tech (13-4), 3:30p.m.; No. 19Goodwin Tech (11-9) at No. 14Wilcox Tech (13-7); No. 27Ansonia (8-12) at No. 6Oxford (17-3), 1:30p.m.; No. 22Lauralton Hall (10-10) at No. 11Kaynor Tech (14-6)
Class **S**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 17Holy Cross (11-9) at No. 16 East Windsor (12-8); No. 25Innovation (7-9) at No. 8Wheeler (13-5), 2:30p.m.; No. 24Hale-Ray (9-11) at No. 9Parish Hill (14-6), 2:30p.m.; No. 20Thomaston (9-8) at No. 13Canton (13-7); No. 28University/Classical (8-12) at No. 5Old Lyme (15-5); No. 21Stafford (10-10) at No. 12Coginchaug (12-6)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 18Wolcott Tech (11-9) at No. 15North Branford (13-7); No. 26East Hampton (8-11) at No. 7Shepaug (13-5); No. 23Housatonic (8-8) at No. 10Ellis Tech (13-6); No. 19Bolton (11-9) at No. 14Immaculate (13-7); No. 27East Catholic (8-12) at No. 6Somers (15-5); No. 22 MLC (9-9) at No. 11St. Bernard (12-6)

GIRLS LACROSSE

ALL GAMES 5 P.M. UNLESS NOTED
CIAC State Tournaments
Class **L**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 17Fairfield Ludlowe (10-7) at No. 1Darien (15-0); No. 9Greenwich (9-3) at No. 8Newington (12-4), 4p.m.; No. 13Southington (12-5) at No. 4Wilton (13-3); Conard/Cheshire winner at No. 5Farmington (13-3)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 15Glastonbury (11-6) at No. 2Newtown (14-1); No. 10Ridgefield (12-4) at No. 7Hamden (12-3); No. 19Staples (9-7) at No. 3New Canaan (14-2); No. 22NFA (8-9) at No. 6 South Windsor (12-3)
Class **M**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 17Bethel (8-9) at No. 1Guilford (15-1); No. 9Waterford (10-5-1) at No. 8East Lyme (12-4), 6p.m.; Branford/E.O. Smith winner at No. 4Sheehan (13-3); No. 21Suffield (7-9) at No. 5Masuk (13-3)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 15St. Joseph (10-7) at No. 2Foran (15-1); No. 10Hand (10-6) at No. 7 Simsbury (12-4); No. 14Fitch (10-7) at No. 3 Wethersfield (13-3); No. 11Barlow (11-6) at No. 6 Ellington (12-3)
Class **S**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** East Catholic-Wheeler/Grasso Tech winner at No. 1Weston (15-1); No. 9Bacon Academy (11-5) at No. 8Canton (11-5); No. 13 SHA (8-8) at No. 4New Fairfield (12-3); No. 12St. Paul (9-7) at No. 5Granby (12-4), 5:15p.m.
Lower **Bracket:** Haddam-Killingworth/Montville winner at No. 2Old Saybrook (15-1); No. 10 Tolland (10-6) at No. 7North Branford (12-4), 6 p.m.; Somers/Lauralton Hall winner at No. 3 Valley Regional (14-2); No. 11Watertown (10-6) at No. 6Stonington (12-4)

BOYS GOLF

Shoreline: Old Saybrook at Portland, 2:30p.m.; Haddam-Killingworth at North Branford, 3p.m.
Others: University at Shelton, 2p.m.; East Catholic, Killingly at NFA, 3p.m.; Morgan at Waterford, 3p.m.

GIRLS GOLF

CCC: CCC Championship (Tunxis Plantation CC, Farmington), 9a.m.
ECC: Bacon Academy, East Lyme, Waterford, Woodstock Academy at NFA, 1p.m.
Others: Cheshire at Canton, 3p.m.

BOYS TENNIS

ALL GAMES AT 3 P.M. UNLESS NOTED
CIAC State Tournaments
Class **LL**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 16Trumbull (7-8) at No. 1 Enfield (14-1); No. 9Hamden (14-5) at No. 8Amity (13-4); No. 13Conard (10-7) at No. 4Fairfield Prep (15-2), 3:30p.m.; No. 12Ridgefield (9-6) at No. 5 Staples (13-2)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 15Southington (8-9) at No. 2 Greenwich (14-1); No. 10East Hartford (11-5) at No. 7Hall (16-3); No. 14Fairfield Ludlowe (8-8) at No. 3Glastonbury (13-1), 1p.m.; No. 11Fairfield Warde (9-6) at No. 6Westhill (13-2), 4p.m.
Class **L**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 16Cheshire (9-9) at No. 1East Lyme (13-0); No. 9Woodstock Academy (9-6) at No. 8Newtown (7-4); No. 13Simsbury (8-8) at No. 4Wethersfield (13-3), 4:30p.m.; No. 12New Canaan (8-7) at No. 5Farmington (11-3), 4p.m.
Lower **Bracket:** No. 15Guilford (8-9) at No. 2 Hand (17-1), 3:30p.m.; No. 10South Windsor (10-7) at No. 7Fitch (10-4); No. 14Newington (7-7) at No. 3Darien (14-1); No. 11New Milford (6-5) at No. 6Wilton (13-4), 4p.m.
Class **M**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 16Bethel (8-7) at No. 1Avon (17-0), 3:45p.m.; No. 9Branford (12-6) at No. 8 Ellington (11-5); No. 13Sheehan (11-9) at No. 4 Notre Dame-West Haven (15-3), 3:30p.m.; No. 12 Torrington (8-6) at No. 5Weston (13-4), 1p.m.
Lower **Bracket:** No. 18E.O. Smith (7-8) at No. 2 Brookfield (10-1); No. 10Law (12-8) at No. 7 Barlow (10-4), 1p.m.; No. 14Lyman Hall (11-9) at No. 3Watertown (15-2), 1p.m.; No. 11Berlin (9-6) at No. 6Masuk (8-3)
Class **S**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 16Suffield (8-5) at No. 1 Valley Regional (13-0); No. 9Old Lyme (13-5) at No. 8Nonnewaug (9-3); No. 20Immaculate (8-8) at No. 4Woodland (13-2); No. 12Ledyard (10-5) at No. 5Shepaug (11-2)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 15Northwest Catholic (13-8) at No. 2Granby (13-1), 4p.m.; No. 10East Hampton (11-4) at No. 7Stonington (12-4); No. 14East Catholic (12-7) at No. 3Westbrook (14-2), 4p.m.; No. 22Wamogo (7-8) at No. 6Litchfield (10-3), 10a.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

ALL GAMES AT 3 P.M. UNLESS NOTED
CIAC State Tournaments
Class **LL**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 17Naugatuck (9-7) at No. 1 Amity (17-0); No. 9Fairfield Ludlowe (13-4) at No. 8New Canaan (12-3); No. 13Hall (11-5) at No. 4Glastonbury (14-1); No. 12Wilton (12-5) at No. 5 Farmington (14-1), 1p.m.
Lower **Bracket:** No. 15Conard (8-6) at No. 2 Darien (15-0), 1p.m.; No. 23Fairfield Warde (7-9) at No. 7Westhill (12-3); No. 14Greenwich (11-5) at No. 3Staples (14-1); No. 11Maloney (12-5) at No. 6East Hartford (10-1), 4:30p.m.
Class **L**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 16Masuk (7-6) at No. 1Avon (13-2), 3:45p.m.; No. 9Pomperaug (10-4) at No. 8 North Haven (13-5), 3:45p.m.; No. 13East Lyme (7-5) at No. 4Bethel (11-3); No. 12Brookfield (8-5) at No. 5Guilford (15-5), 3:30p.m.
Lower **Bracket:** No. 18Simsbury (7-8) at No. 2 Barlow (12-2); No. 10Fitch (11-5) at No. 7Woodstock Academy (11-4); No. 19RHAM (7-9) at No. 3Newington (14-3); No. 11Bristol Central (9-5) at No. 6Wethersfield (14-5), 2p.m.
Class **M**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 16Tolland (10-5) at No. 1 Stonington (15-1); No. 9Wolcott (14-4) at No. 8 Rocky Hill (16-4); No. 13Waterford (11-5) at No. 4Watertown (14-3); No. 12SHA (13-6) at No. 5 Weston (12-3)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 15Hand (12-6) at No. 2 Ellington (12-2); No. 23Sheehan (10-10) at No. 7 Nonnewaug (15-4), 1p.m.; No. 14Law (14-7) at No. 3Branford (14-3); No. 11Woodland (13-4) at No. 6Valley Regional (12-3), 1p.m.
Class **S**—First Round
Upper **Bracket:** No. 16St. Bernard (7-7) at No. 1 Old Lyme (19-0); No. 9Cromwell (10-6) at No. 8 Windsor Locks (10-5); No. 13Notre Dame-Fairfield (8-7) at No. 4Litchfield (14-4), 2p.m.; No. 12 Morgan (9-8) at No. 5East Catholic (14-4)
Lower **Bracket:** No. 18St. Paul (8-9) at No. 2Holy Cross (14-1); No. 10Ansonia (9-6) at No. 7Granby (11-5), 1p.m.; No. 14Lyman Memorial (8-7) at No. 3Westbrook (15-2), 2p.m.; No. 11Immaculate (8-7) at No. 6Shepaug (10-4), noon

FRIDAY'S LATE COLLEGE RESULTS

BASEBALL

NEC **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Norwich)
Loser's Bracket
CENTRAL 10, FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON 6
NCAA Div. III **Tourney**—Super Regional (best-of-3)
Game 1
EASTERN 6, ROWAN 1
MAAC **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Pomona, N.Y.)
Loser's Bracket
NIAGARA 19, FAIRFIELD 14

SATURDAY'S COLLEGE RESULTS

BASEBALL

Big East **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Mason, Ohio)
Winner's Game
UCONN 7, CREIGHTON 1
NEC **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Norwich)
Elimination Game
BRYANT 10, CENTRAL 8

SOFTBALL

NCAA Div. III **Tourney**—Finals (Salem, Va.)
Bracket Play (Double Elimination)
Elimination Games
EASTERN 8, MILLIKIN 1
BERRY VS. EASTERN, LATE

SUNDAY'S COLLEGE SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

Big East **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Mason, Ohio)
Championship
Xavier/Creighton winner vs. UConn, noon
Xavier/Creighton winner vs. UConn, 3:30p.m. (If UConn loses the early game)
NCAA Div. III **Tourney**—Super Regional (best-of-3)
Rowan at Eastern (Game 2), 11a.m.
Big East baseball standings
Team; CONF; CPCT; OVR; PCT
UConn; 16-5; .762; 43-13; .768
Creighton; 15-5; .750; 30-16; .652
Xavier; 13-8; .619; 31-25; .554
Georgetown; 11-10; .524; 32-21; .604
Villanova; 8-12; .400; 19-29-1; .398
St. John's; 7-12-1; .375; 22-32-1; .409
Seton Hall; 7-13; .350; 18-35; .340
Butler; 4-16-1; .214; 20-35-1; .366

FRIDAY'S LATE RESULT

BASEBALL

Big East **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Mason, Ohio)
Opening Round
CREIGHTON 6, XAVIER 5

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

BASEBALL

Big East **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Mason, Ohio)
Winner's Game
UCONN 7, CREIGHTON 1
Loser's Game
XAVIER 16, GEORGETOWN 8
Elimination Game
XAVIER VS. CREIGHTON, LATE

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

Big East **Tourney**—Double Elimination (Mason, Ohio)
Championship
Xavier/Creighton winner vs. UConn, noon
Xavier/Creighton winner vs. UConn, 3:30p.m. (If UConn loses the early game)
Eastern League standings
Northeast; W; L; PCT; GB
Somerset; 28; 15; .651; —
Hartford; 27; 16; .628; 1
Portland; 22; 22; .500; 6.5
New Hampshire; 18; 24; .429; 9.5
Reading; 18; 25; .419; 10
Binghamton; 15; 27; .357; 12.5
Southwest; W; L; PCT; GB
Akron; 26; 17; .605; —
Erie; 25; 18; .581; 1
Richmond; 23; 20; .548; 3
Altoona; 22; 21; .512; 4
Harrisburg; 18; 24; .429; 7.5
Bowie; 14; 27; .341; 11

FRIDAY'S LATE RESULTS

HARTFORD 7, RICHMOND 3
SOMERSET 3, PORTLAND 2
BINGHAMTON 6, READING 4
ALTOONA 5, HARRISBURG 1
ERIE 5, BOWIE 0 (6)
NEW HAMPSHIRE 6, AKRON 3

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

SOMERSET 9, PORTLAND 6
HARTFORD AT RICHMOND, LATE
ERIE AT BOWIE, LATE
BINGHAMTON AT READING, LATE
ALTOONA AT HARRISBURG, LATE
NEW HAMPSHIRE AT AKRON, LATE

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE

Somerset at Portland, 1p.m.
Altoona at Harrisburg, 1p.m.
Erie at Bowie, 1p.m.
Hartford at Richmond, 1:30p.m.
Binghamton at Reading, 5:15p.m.
New Hampshire at Akron, 6p.m.

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A kitchen design includes woven Palecek kitchen stools and a striking midnight blue stone island to balance the extensive Shaker-style white and glass cabinetry. **FRESH TWIST STUDIO**

The *heart* of the home

Kitchens get makeover with new colors, cubbies and connectivity

By Kim Cook | Associated Press

As French chef and restaurateur Daniel Boulud puts it, "Kitchens should be designed around what's truly important — fun, food, and life."

Kitchens now might not play the center-of-everything roles that they did during the early days of the pandemic. But even if you're spending more time away, you'll likely have become a little more attached and invested in the kitchen than you were in 2019.



Kohler's Tone faucet allows for voice control of on/off and preset measurements. **KOHLER**

Cooking with color

For a few years now, the monotone, all-white kitchen has been popular, with Instagram feeds full of white-and-cream cabinetry and pale woods. It looked clean, and like it meant business — a culinary clinic, if you will, and a far cry from the mid-2000s combo of cherry cabinets and granite counters.

But there's a shift. The standard, nickel-plated hardware in a white kitchen might now be replaced with matte black and brass, or knobs and faucets in bright hues.

Whites are getting creamier, less cool. You'll see woods, vegan leather and rattan as textural elements to warm things up.

"The classic all-white kitchen is as relevant as it ever was, but there's a new need and demand for color," says Bob Bakes, co-founder and head of design for Bakes & Kropp, a kitchen design and custom cabinetry firm in New York City.

He's recently used sky blue, stone gray and a red called geranium on kitchen projects, and a glossy black in a butler's pantry.

Betty Brandolino, founder and creative director of Fresh Twist Studio in Elmhurst, Illinois, sees a similar move toward color. "White isn't out, but we are implementing painted or natural wood islands as opposed to an all-white kitchen," she says.

Some clients are asking for entire kitchens with painted cabinets, she says: "Green has been the color of choice, ranging from sage to olive and even a brighter green."

Kitchens with personality

"I'm excited to see that people are becoming more experimental in their design choices, from mixing metals to integrating a variety of textures," Bakes says.

Lighting is one way to bring personality and modernity to kitchens. Recessed can lights are still with us, but there's now a lot of statement lighting, too: a row of pendants or a supersize fixture over an island, for example.

While subway tile still dominates backsplashes, some are tweaking how it's used. "For example, applying them in unexpected patterns such as vertically instead of horizontally, and stacked instead of staggered," Erin Davis, a designer in Portland, Oregon, noted on the real estate platform Homelight.

Big sections of ceramic tile are also popular. New tech has allowed makers to make large but thinner, lighter slabs that are easier to work with. And fewer grout lines mean they're easier to clean.

Open plans, closed plans

You either embrace an open plan, where everyone could easily interact, or you are grateful for your closed-room kitchen, where someone can cook without disturbing others.

"We're still seeing a desire for open floor plans," Bakes says. "I don't think the need to separate the kitchen is making a return quite yet."

But there are tweaks to the open plan. One example is butler's pantries — an adjunct space to the main kitchen where mess-making can take place and gear stowed.

"We're designing more hidden pantries for appliances like toaster ovens, mixers and extra dishes," Brandolino notes. "This also allows us to incorporate more open shelving and less overhead cabinetry, which is a trend we'll see more of in the coming year."

Material mix

Houzz's 2022 kitchen trends report noted that homeowners were willing to splurge on countertops, with quartz and porcelain expected to be favorite materials. Engineered quartz combines natural stone and resins to make a strong, impact-resistant material. And porcelain can't be scratched, burned or stained. Both can be made to mimic marble, granite, onyx and other stones.

We're seeing lighter woods like oak and maple, dark walnut, and even plywood, used as full cabinetry and as accents. What's especially new are the finishes (most are matte) and the mix of materials: wood with painted glass, buffed metal, ceramic.

New York designer Leyden Lewis paired sleek, back-painted glass walls with a floor of rustic, reclaimed wood in a Manhattan galley kitchen. INC Design studio installed an all-steel kitchen cabinet suite from Poliform in a Tribeca apartment, then softened the look with marble countertops.

Connectivity

Tech continues to move into the kitchen. Samsung's Family Hub, for instance, puts a five-screen smart display on the fridge.

LG's Instaview feature lets you tap in the fridge door to see what's inside.

App-enabled smaller appliances include slow cookers, blenders and countertop ovens.

Motion-sensitive touchless faucets have been on the market for a few years. If you want to take it up a notch, there are "smart" faucets too.

With Delta's voice-activated faucet, for example, you can turn it on and fill to a specific quantity. Kohler's voice-activated faucets link to an app that also monitors water usage and lets you know if you left the taps on.

"You have to look at it with a little humor," says Mary Maydan, principal at Maydan Architects in Palo Alto, California. "You consult with the faucet about the water temperature and you discuss the food ingredients with the fridge. You definitely have company when cooking in today's kitchen!"

It's all about neutrals in home decor

By Cathy Hobbs
Tribune News Service

Want to create a timeless color story, but don't know where to start?

A neutral color palette will not only create a foundation from which you can build any color palette, but it's timeless as well.

Neutral colors come in all shapes and sizes from tints, tones and shades of white to grays, browns and even black.

Pairing certain neutrals together can provide the perfect blend for those looking for a calm, soothing environment.

Here are some top tips.

1. Look to incorporate large pieces that are solid as opposed to patterned. This provides for the most amount of versatility.

2. Infuse gray and cool tones in spaces that have an abundance of light and you desire to cool down.

3. Blend soft neutrals together such as tan, gray and muted pastels.

4. Incorporate tans and brown tones in spaces that you want to feel warm and cozy.

5. Use neutrals as a springboard to either a predominately neutral color palette or one in which you wish to infuse pops of color.

6. Blend metallics and florals into your neutral color palette.

7. Use rugs and artwork as an opportunity to bring in neutral decor on a large scale.

8. Consider tactile materials as a way of softening a space.

9. Create a sense of contrast by pairing light neutrals such as taupe and gray with dark neutrals such as brown and black.

10. Consider pastels and pastel tones as a way to blend soft color into a neutral color palette.



Neutral furniture, bedding, toss pillows and accessories create a feeling of calm in this bedroom. **SCOTT GABRIEL MORRIS/TNS**

REAL ESTATE MATTERS

Widow unsure of quitclaim deed's validity

By Ilyce Glink and Samuel J. Tamkin
Tribune Content Agency



Without the recording or filing of the deed during the recipient's lifetime, the deed may no longer be valid. **DREAMSTIME**

Q: My friend signed a quitclaim deed to her husband in case they were to get divorced. Last year, he unexpectedly died due to a heart attack and other complications. Does the quitclaim deed still hold? If it does, the title to the house is in his name only. He was a poor money manager, and she did not want to incur his debts, so even filing taxes were separate. If the quitclaim deed is valid, will she get anything? There was no will. There are four adult children from his prior marriages. I'm trying to help her understand her options.

A: We're sorry for your friend's loss. Your friend must have had a pretty bumpy relationship with her husband to quitclaim her home to him while they were still married. That sort of action flies in the face of conventional wisdom and financial management.

So, your friend gave the deed to her husband. Do you know if he recorded the deed or simply held onto it? If it didn't get recorded, it wouldn't be valid. It also appears that the deed was given conditionally, subject to a divorce. Since he died before they got divorced, the deed may no longer be needed and would not get recorded now.

Given the limited information you sent us, it's possible the home is still in your friend's name. If so, she still owns the home. For the house to have passed to her now-dead husband, several steps would have had to be taken. First, your friend would have to have given the deed to him without conditions. He, in turn, should have taken that deed to the recorder of deeds office or the office that handles the filing of real estate documents for recording or filing.

If he had done that while he was living, the ownership of the home would have been transferred from your friend to her husband. If these steps didn't transpire, it's likely she is still the homeowner.

Now, let's assume he recorded the deed and officially took ownership of the home. The situation is different, but your friend isn't out of luck. You mentioned that he died without a will. Most states protect the surviving spouse. This would likely mean that your friend could still end up owning at least some of the home.

Many states provide that the surviving spouse gets one-half of the assets of the deceased spouse. So, your friend would wind up owning half the house with her husband's four kids sharing the other half.

From your question and facts, your friend either owns the property entirely or will likely end up owning one half of the property along with her husband's kids.

But, your question poses an interesting situation: the conditional use of the quitclaim deed.

When your friend gave the deed to her husband, she gave it to him to use in case of a divorce. We suspect there is nothing in writing to show that, but she may have an email or text message to prove it. However, the fact that he didn't record or file the deed (we're assuming) makes the deed suspect. With his death, the deed would no longer be used or recorded as the transfer of the property to him should have taken place during his lifetime.

In real estate, you don't want to transfer title to a person that is no longer living. Dead people are not in a position to receive the property, take title to the property, use the property or hold title to the property. You can have title to a home flow from a seller to a buyer only to have the buyer die before the deed gets recorded. If the buyer of the home freely accepts the deed at the time of the purchase, the deed would not be invalidated due to the death of the buyer shortly after the closing.

Your case deals with a quitclaim deed where the husband did not pay money for the transfer, there is a claim that the deed was given conditionally, and the deed was never recorded during the husband's lifetime. If third parties (the dead husband's four children) wanted to claim that the ownership was in the husband's name, they might have to prove not only the delivery of the deed to the husband but that the husband intended to receive ownership of the home. Without the recording or filing of the deed during the husband's lifetime, the husband's intentions are ambiguous, and we suspect that the deed may no longer be valid.

Simply stated, if your friend has the deed, her possession of the deed may be sufficient to show that the husband did not intend on accepting ownership.

We'd suggest you find the deed and then consult with an attorney in your area.

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A simple tune-up will work wonders for your mower, improving gas economy and lowering wear and tear on the engine. **DREAMSTIME**

HOME REMEDIES

Tips on how you can prep your outdoor space for the summer

By Paul F. P. Pogue
Ask Angi

Warm, sunny days are finally here again, so it's time to prepare your outdoors for summer weather and all the fun that comes with it. Here are some tips to spruce up your home's exterior:

Prep the lawn

Clear the yard and garden beds of any debris that landed there over the winter months. Getting leaves and other yard waste out of your flower beds provides a clean surface for mulching and planting. You should also reactivate your irrigation system if you haven't already. You may need to call an irrigation pro for the job, since some state or city codes require a professional to perform a backflow test.

Check your deck

To make the most of your deck, you'll want to perform an early inspection and fix any problems that might have arisen over the last year.

First, give your deck a basic cleaning. Clear everything off of it, and sweep out all debris and dirt, giving you a clear view. Check all the screws and nails, and tighten or replace any loose or damaged fasteners. Look around for stability hazards, including faulty banisters, railings and boards. If you discover any issues, call a decking repair pro right away to be sure you can enjoy your outdoor space ASAP.

If you have a wooden deck, consider whether you need to power wash, stain and reseal it. This work isn't required every year, but it does become necessary after a few years. Test for sealing by pouring a little water on the surface. If it beads up, your wood is still properly sealed. However, if water instead seeps into the boards, it's time to reseal.

Get your mower ready

If your lawn mower has been serving as ad-hoc shelving for your patio cushions since last fall, give it a little TLC before you fire it up this spring. You'll get the best results and cleanest cuts by taking a few simple maintenance steps. Wear safety glasses and gloves, as mowers are potentially dangerous equipment.

Mower blades need to be sharp for the best cutting job, and both the previous year's work and potential rust from the long winter's nap can dull the edges. A pro can sharpen them for $20 to $30. If you decide to do this work yourself, use extreme caution and remove the spark plug before removing the blades.

You'll get the best results by flushing the fluids. Remove the gas if you didn't do so last fall. Then, drain the engine oil by removing the screw cap and tilting the mower on its side so the excess oil drains out into a pan or bucket. Then, add new oil and gas according to your mower's specs. Follow local regulations for oil disposal.

You should also replace the air filter, which should only cost about $10 at a hardware store. Dirty filters make the engine work harder and use more gas than needed.

You can do much of this work yourself or hire a lawn mower repair pro to take care of it for around $50 to $100.

TREASURES

Willets Belleek vase likely embellished by a hobbyist

By Helaine Fendelman and Joe Rosson
Tribune News Service



Roses bloom on this lovely Willets Belleek vase, but who did the painting? **COURTESY**

Q: I read about your expertise on Belleek Willets. I recently acquired a beautiful vase and I am wondering if my piece might have value and who the artist might have been.

A: "Expertise" is a strong word we try to avoid. We prefer seeing ourselves as research specialists with a lot of practical experience in the field of art and antiques that helps us decode what we uncover in our investigations.

"Belleek" ("beal leice" in Gaelic, meaning "flagstone ford") is the name of an Irish village where a special type of china was developed on the estate of John Caldwell Bloomfield. During Ireland's Great Famine (1845-49), Bloomfield's Castle Caldwell estate in County Fermanagh was run down and Bloomfield's tenants were in a bad way.

Bloomfield was more interested in mineralogy than agriculture. And upon exploring his property, he soon found feldspar and kaolin, the ingredients for making porcelain. He found a place on the nearby River Erne, where the rapidly flowing river would power a mill. Before long, porcelain was made.

The new pottery was financed by David McBirney and managed by Robert William Armstrong from the Worcester Royal Porcelain Works. It is said that pottery was made at Belleek as early as 1849. But Belleek porcelain production, which was formulated by English potter William Henry Goss, did not begin until about 1863. The product was a white porcelain covered with an iridescent glaze. Belleek was a big success and is in business to this day.

The Philadelphia Centennial Exposition of 1876 featured a large display of Irish Belleek wares that completely overshadowed anything made in the United States at the time. John Brewer of Trenton, New Jersey's Ott and Brewer Pottery saw the Belleek and thought his company could produce the same type of wares.

Ott and Brewer hired Englishmen William Bromley Jr. and Sr. to help achieve the goal. Bromley Sr. had worked with William Henry Goss. And in late 1883 or 1884 they produced the first American Belleek.

Another company established in Trenton in 1879 was the Willets Manufacturing Company. Initially it made such things as sanitary wares and white pottery that was sometimes decorated. But like Ott and Brewer, Willets wanted to make fine porcelain wares and in 1884 they hired Bromley Sr. to teach them how.

The result was "Willets Belleek," which was made between 1885 and 1909. Willets decorated a lot of its Belleek in-house, but they also sold vast quantities of undecorated blanks to china painters. China painting was a big hobby in the U.S. at the time.

We believe the vase in today's question was embellished by a hobbyist. The insurance replacement value of the piece is $250-$350.

Helaine Fendelman and Joe Rosson have written a number of books on antiques. Do you have an item you'd like to know more about? Contact them at Joe Rosson, 2504 Seymour Ave., Knoxville, TN 37917, or email them at treasures@knology.net. If you'd like your question to be considered for their column, include a high-resolution photo of the subject, which must be in focus, with your inquiry.

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK: 175 Johnnycake Mountain Road, Burlington

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Old World Charm Infused in Modern, Burlington Home Atop Johnnycake Mountain

By Karen A. Avitabile



From the hills of Tuscany through the valley of Napa to the top of the Johnnycake Mountain Farm neighborhood in Burlington stands a 12-room, luxury European colonial with lush rolling hills, emerald meadows and a private pond as its backdrop.

The one-of-a-kind, well-appointed five-acre retreat at 175 Johnnycake Mountain Road transports you to the idyllic vineyards of Italy, full to the brim of Tuscan inspiration. The expansive, almost 6,000-square-foot home harmoniously blends classic and modern elements. It is accentuated by high ceilings; exposed beams; exquisite stone work; chestnut-stained, quarter sawn white-oak hardwood floors; plaster finished walls; crown molding; solid wood doors and custom bronze handles; two extra-wide staircases with hand-forged iron spindles; and arched entryways.

"I've traveled to Tuscany and I was inspired by its simple, rustic lifestyle," said the home's owner and builder, Antonio Senese, of Seneca Builders LLC. "I wanted to bring those features into my home."



The home's inviting stucco and fieldstone exterior blends beautifully with custom windows reminiscent of Tuscany. The professionally landscaped level lot is inviting; it is lightly wooded and dotted with perennials, several of them hydrangea trees and bushes. The property is large enough to build an in-ground pool or to host a wedding or a celebration.

The long driveway to the home opens to Belgium block with a stone circular inlay, firmly set in concrete. The front sidewalk, with a romantic curve, extends to the main entrance of the home and a separate mudroom entrance ornamented with columns and archways. Unique to the home are the custom hand-forged iron lanterns and seeded glass.

Equally stunning is the backyard which opens to rolling hills and breathtaking pastoral views in all directions. Its bluestone terrace is perfectly integrated into the landscape with hydrangea-lined fieldstone walls. Set the mood and relax by the wood-burning stone fireplace. Further back, the property overlooks a beautiful pond, capturing all the sights and sounds of nature.

"This house is all about the backyard," Senese said. "Every evening, you can sit by the fireplace after a long day and watch the sunset. When you get a clear night, the stars are amazing."

The European gourmet kitchen is right out of a magazine, adorned with high-end workmanship including leathered-finished granite counters with ogee edges; an oversize island with storage and seating; a six-burner, dual-fuel commercial range, griddle and hood encased by arched cabinetry; a pantry and a butler's pantry; a stunning honed marble backsplash in a mosaic design; three sinks (one is a classic farmhouse); and a wine chiller. The cherry wood cabinetry in mixed finishes is lightly distressed and enriched by a glaze finish and some seeded glass. The refrigerator looks more like an armoire cabinet.



An expansive wall of windows in the kitchen showcases the panoramic views. Architectural timber beams enhance the Tuscan feel with warm light illuminated from hand-forged chandeliers, both above the island and the casual eat-in kitchen. Here, a natural stone gas fireplace with a cherry wood corbel mantel ties the space together. French doors open to the stone terrace and the outdoor fireplace.



The dining room is plenty big for large-scale entertaining. The family/living room has a gas fireplace surrounded by horizontally-stacked fieldstone and a bluestone hearth. The main floor master or guest suite has a seating area, a custom dressing room and a full bath with white honed marble counters and flooring. Off the grand foyer is a study or office.

The second level of the home exudes a quiet, inviting elegance. The staircase has an intermediate landing and the balcony at the top is the perfect space for a reading nook or armoire. The master suite on this level also has a separate wardrobe with all built-in cherry wood closets and shelving. A freestanding, cast-iron clawfoot tub with its own European handheld faucet is the centerpiece of the bathroom. There is a seamless glass-door porcelain tile shower, limestone counters, double sinks and floor-to-ceiling cherry wood cabinetry with seeded glass.

Also upstairs, you will find two additional bedrooms (one with an en suite), a powder room with a European pedestal sink and a large laundry room alongside a farmhouse sink, leathered-finished granite counters, custom cabinetry and closets.

Hidden gems on this level include a media room overlooking the backyard and a bonus area complimented by a barrel ceiling. This unique space can be converted into an office, a game room, a ballroom or even an art gallery. A separate staircase leads to the mudroom. Walk out of the French doors onto a romantic balcony constructed of handmade wrought iron.



This green home is very energy efficient with ICFs (insulating concrete forms) sandwiched between two layers of insulation material. Construction began in 2004 but was not completed and move-in ready until 2014. The home is equipped with a programmable thermostat, ridge vents, storm doors, thermopane windows with simulated light, central vacuum, a security system, a main level sound system and a walk-up attic that could be turned into another room. It is heated with hot air fueled by oil, and cooled by central air conditioning. There is a septic system and a private well.

For car enthusiasts, an attached oversize three-car garage has ample space to accommodate car lifts. From the garage, enter into a slate floor mudroom which could be repurposed as a sunroom, sitting room or a hearth room off the kitchen. It provides access to both the front- and- backyard stone covered porches. Off the mudroom is a large powder room.

Johnnycake Mountain Road is a desirable development in bucolic Burlington, a rural community situated at the foot of the Berkshires. The town is comprised of an abundance of single-family homes and several seasonal farms selling plants, produce, Christmas trees and more.

"What attracted me to the property are the rolling hills and Johnnycake Mountain," said the homeowner, who added he never gets bored of the scenery. "The area is a perfect blend of farms, neighborhoods and country living."

The home's location is a quick ride to Route 4 in Burlington, 15 minutes to Litchfield center and is situated two hours from Boston and New York. For more information about the home, to view photos or to take a virtual tour, visit www.williampitt.com. This impeccable home is priced to sell at $1,597,000.

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PROPERTY OF THE WEEK

175 Johnnycake Mountain Road, Burlington

Built: 2004, but not completed for move-in ready until 2014
Price: $1,597,000
Style: European colonial
Rooms: 12
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3 full, 2 half
Square footage: 5,976
Acreage: 5
Mill rate: 33.3
Best feature: A private retreat with no neighbors in sight
Contact: Cathy McCahill, (860) 480-6760; cmccahill@williampitt.com; www.williampitt.com

WEST HARTFORD

Warm and charming 1930's Colonial! This well-loved 3BR/1.5BA home has many classic period features including a front Dutch door, built-in china cabinet in the dining room, a bay window, a pair of diamond-pane windows flanking the living room fireplace and a built-in linen cupboard outside the main bathroom. There are hardwood floors throughout the main rooms, the bedrooms are all spacious, and there is a bonus room over the garage perfect for an office or play space. The main bath has been stylishly remodeled, all the upstairs windows have been replaced, and all the rooms are neutrally painted. The small sunroom off the dining room is a great spot to relax with a coffee and admire the pretty yard with paver patio and playscape. Princeton St. is a one-block street in Elmwood Center, a short walk to restaurants, shops, parks, the library, Senior/Community Center, and CTFastrack. MLS #170492339 $329,000. 30 Princeton St, West Hartford | Susan Wiley 860.989.2812 | susanwiley@bhhsne.com





SOUTH WINDSOR

Open and airy contemporized colonial with two story foyer, Formal Living and Dining Rooms. Country style kitchen with eating area opens to Family Room and multiple level deck overlooking a park like yard and above ground pool. Four large bedrooms upstairs, and a finished basement with additional bath complete this over 2400 sq. foot home. Possibility of an inlaw with walk out from basement. Attached two car garage, gas heat and central air. Add your personal touches to make this house your home! MLS #170492655 $419,900. 25 Paper Chase, South Windsor, CT | Mark J Merin 860.463.5289 | markmerin@bhhsne.com

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

ANSONIA

13 Bassett St, L&R Real Estate LLC to Colony Homes LLC, 5/11, $447,500

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26 Columbia St, Bischoff Apartments LLC to Vasiadis, Despena D and Saragias, Nikolaos, 5/10, $270,000

54 Jewett St, Prestiano, Matthew S to Torres, Juan C, 5/11, $420,000

179-181 N Main St, Izzo, John and Izzo, Madelyn R to Ansonia Hsng Auth, 5/11, $650,000

AVON

1 Alpine Meadow Ln Lot 1, Zavatkay, Henrietta A to Kethamukkala, Satish and Akella, Bharathi, 5/9, $410,000

2 Eagles Gln Lot 2, James G Biondi T and Biondi, Jane to Culbertston, Thomas J and Culbertson, Kristen, 5/10, $465,000

7 School St, Cloutier, Alan and Cloutier, Tina to Gresh, John, 5/10, $350,000

9 Essex Ct Lot 9, Grey, Marian P to Cuniowski, Andrew and Cuniowski, Leanna, 5/12, $300,000

10 Columbus Cir, Lin, Rong D and Zhao, Xue E to Schiano, Kathleen M, 5/12, $230,000

14 Saint Michaels Ct, Bigelow 3rd, Bayard and Bigelow, Nancy to Chaudhry, Sona and Sachdev, Rishabh, 5/13, $1,346,000

28 Candlewood Ln, Helen M Schroeder T and Donofrio, Stephen to Guthman, Michael and Carone, Emily, 5/13, $375,000

100 Bronson Rd, Matthew F Smith T and Smith, Matthew F to Lennon, Andrew L and Lennon, Aileen B, 5/9, $425,000

101 Old Mill Rd, Boullie, John W to Kottarathara, Mathew J and Antony, Ankitha A, 5/12, $825,000

125 Old Farms Rd, Card, Ellen L and Cannella, Josephine M to Meyers, Linda B, 5/13, $110,000

345 Country Club Rd, Rice, Tina to Labins, Susan, 5/12, $280,000

BARKHAMSTED

13 Riverton Rd, Thirteen Rivton Road LLC to Ballard, William T and Ballard, Dora J, 5/9, $340,000

203 E Hartland Rd, Sterry, Charles to Dinneen, Todd and Dinneen, Jessica, 5/5, $325,000

BEACON FALLS

7 Rimmon Hill Rd, Khalid, Nadeem and Khalid, Naila N to Lankolga LLC, 5/10, $150,000

65 Cambridge Ct Lot 65, Deptula 4th, Joseph V to Beltran Jr, Luis and Collins, Daria, 5/11, $180,000

101 Pines Bridge Rd, Khalid, Nadeem and Khalid, Naila N to Lankolga LLC, 5/10, $150,000

BERLIN

86 Kenwood St, Kelly, Shawnna L to Didomizio, Christopher and Branciforte, Jessica E, 5/13, $350,000

270 New Britain Rd Lot 12, Iannini Development LLC to Vogt, Kim and Russillo, Wendy, 5/12, $368,320

319 New Britain Rd Lot 137, M&Paula Nadeau FT and Nadeau, Michael J to Schroeder, Dawn, 5/9, $165,000

530 Edgewood Rd, Altaweel, Sumaia and Munir, Alazhri to Mercedes, Jesus and Botello, Anais, 5/10, $433,000

BETHANY

72 Grant Rd, Chamberlain, Howard W to Scott, Raymond, 5/9, $75,000

BETHEL

7 Settlers Rd, Norsworthy, Thomas S and Norsworthy, Barbara D to Moreira, Jose D and Delima, Keila R, 5/11, $460,000

10 Chipmunk Ter Lot 10, Secor, Michael to Scalia, Angelina and Gannon, Jillian, 5/11, $315,000

17 Great Hill Dr Lot 17, Toll CT 2 LP to Ventrella, Karen M, 5/12, $556,227

53 Grassy Plain St Lot A2, Vlg Lights Of Bethel LLC to Vorderbrugge, Sarah E and Heinrich, John W, 5/11, $499,900

68-90 Deer Run, US Bank NA Tr to Jiang, Yueying, 5/9, $290,000

71 Walnut Hill Rd, Donaghy, Patrick J and Donaghy, Barbara J to Mccullagh, Jillian M and Correale, Michael, 5/12, $595,000

79 Payne Rd, Vellos, Tiffany to Lavin, Harrison E, 5/10, $524,112

88 Kingswood Dr Lot 88, Nguyen, Katie to Pagliaro, Rosemary, 5/9, $376,000

BLOOMFIELD

3 Brighton Park Way Lot 3, Diamond, Kimberly to Demino, John, 5/12, $290,000

6 Turnberry Ln Lot 6, Cech, Alex C to Blanchard, Lloyd A, 5/13, $405,000

10 Linden Ct Lot 10, Tavana Holdings LLC to Thompson, Michael, 5/9, $160,000

35 Reed Ct Lot 35, Unrad, Tal to Morey, Jeffrey G, 5/10, $215,000

39 Woodland Rd, Washington, Gerscile to Reihl, Brenton T, 5/10, $215,000

102 School St, Otero, Emanuel to Furze, Kemar, 5/9, $224,000

571 Bloomfield Ave, Dudek, Jeffrey M and Acevedo, Jaime L to Yang, Wen, 5/11, $300,000

BOLTON

363 Lake St, Chapman, Jessica L to Terry, Michael, 5/10, $290,000

BOZRAH

193 Bozrah St, Miller, Jonathan to Harrison, Lori A and Shumski, Michael, 5/10, $240,000

BRANFORD

Bishop Rd, Swan, Babbie to Stiefel, William, 5/9, $475,000

14 Cedar Knolls Dr Lot 14, Capone FT and Capone, Theresa G to Pearson, Cheryl, 5/9, $215,000

14 Hamre Ln Lot D, Mirto, Alberto to Kharyniak, Viktor and Kharyniak, Zhanna, 5/9, $151,000

75 Todds Hill Rd, Vigliotti Const Co LLC to Barone, Kristen N and Barone, James V, 5/9, $524,900

139 Maple St, Fasciano, Robert and Fasciano, Jennifer to Tereshchenko, Anna, 5/10, $266,000

BRIDGEPORT

Cogswell St, Roper, Danielle J to Wetjen, Andrew P, 5/10, $170,000

Maple St, Sultana, Sonia and Palash, Rakib M to Munoz, Nataly K and Munoz, German, 5/11, $425,000

Stratford Ave, Lema, Fernando D to 1322 Stratford Ave LLC, 5/9, $820,000

N/A, Pletneva, Daria and Gareev, Robert to Mohabeer, Martin, 5/9, $120,000

10 Jennings Ave, Genias, Sheila to Mai, Manny, 5/11, $390,000

29 Glenbrook Rd, Cmnty Loan Servicing LLC to EGR Property LLC, 5/5, $230,000

39 Hillhouse Ave, Hernandez, Jose M to Bencosme, Neris R, 5/10, $304,000

41-45 Lee Ave, Knights, Ray to Bluewater Rental Prop LLC, 5/5, $130,000

51 Lee Ave, Knights, Ray to Bluewater Rental Prop LLC, 5/5, $130,000

52 Russell Rd, Shuck Elizabeth Est and Oberhauser, Lisa to Reis, Amanda and Wahib, Ahmad, 5/11, $415,000

59 Linda Dr, Kudey, Eric C and Kudey, Courtney L to Boy, Andrew S, 5/9, $385,000

60 Greenwood St, Clarke, Cynthia K to Williams, Natasha and Turner, Naieka R, 5/11, $425,000

60 Pleasantview Ave, Thompson, Claudette to Ocasio, Sonia and Capeles, Fernando, 5/5, $300,000

60 Washington Ter, City Lending Group LLC to Collazo, Jonathan, 5/6, $302,400

70 Trumbull Ave, Francois, Petion and Francois, Arielle to OB Christ LLC, 5/11, $250,000

76 Bassick Ave, Timmons, Dean to Gomez, Rogelio R and Mejia, Claudia J, 5/10, $250,000

80 Cartright St Lot 3L, Sullivan, Frank to Araujo, Laurent, 5/9, $99,000

80 Cartright St Lot 8D, Petersen, Lisa to Jeffre R Stern T and Stern, Brenda, 5/11, $150,000

83 Cleveland Ave, Nilson, Mark and Nilson, Carol to Kendricks, Sheron, 5/5, $250,000

88 Virginia Ave Lot 88, Lawrence, Arlene to Romero, Teresa, 5/6, $140,000

95-99 Wordin Ave, Yonkers, Richard M to Mckenzie, Shari and Jeune, Ghyslin L, 5/5, $550,000

150 Seabright Ave, Noren, Gary N to Ricciotti, Faith A, 5/6, $395,000

170 Pilgrim Rd, Zebroswki, Raymond W and Zebrowski Jr, Raymond to Lawrence, Raymond and Lawrence, Chamayra, 5/10, $279,000

183 Adams St, Goncalves, Jose and Barata, Isidro to Rojas, Isabel, 5/11, $229,000

193 Frenchtown Rd, Polanco, William and Polanco, Marsha M to Appolon, Joanio and Appolon, Angelique, 5/6, $360,000

198 Lincoln Ave, Rodriguez, Maria to Martinez, Elsa M, 5/9, $280,000

200 Griffin Ave, US Bank NA Tr to Dealmeida, Maria A, 5/10, $247,200

213-231 Golden Hill St, Golden Hill Living LLC to Charleston Apts LLC, 5/9, $9,150,000

258 Golden Hill St, Golden Hill Square LLC to Charleston Pking LLC, 5/9, $300,000

276 Hansen Ave, Topar, Stanley to Varela, Daniel S and Barreira, Lisabete, 5/5, $222,000

311 Weber Ave, Sanchez, Marvin to Hudson, Damien, 5/5, $439,000

313 Weber Ave, Sanchez, Marvin to Hudson, Damien, 5/5, $439,000

315 William St, Sultana, Sonia and Palash, Rakib M to Munoz, Nataly K and Munoz, German, 5/11, $425,000

318 Grovers Ave, 111 Clearview Drive LLC to Mccallister, Cynthia A, 5/5, $365,000

324 Norman St, Montanez, Heriberto to Angus, Felecia, 5/10, $280,000

333 Vincellette St Lot 159, Minogue, Suzanne K to Moucir, Abdelhadi and Mellouki, Chaymaa, 5/5, $145,000

390 Charles St Lot 220, Misiaszek, Kimberly to Walker, Anika P, 5/10, $185,000

454 Seaview Ave, Goncalves Antonio B Est and Goncalves, Jose B to Pietrzak, Arkadiusz, 5/6, $120,000

520 Seaview Ave, Goncalves Antonio B Est and Goncalves, Jose B to Pietrzak, Arkadiusz, 5/6, $120,000

696-698 Huntington Rd, Coleman Rennelva F Est and Brown, Sherese to Inona, Waltter, 5/6, $380,000

800 Seaview Ave Lot 780-2, Perez, Christian O to Shelley, Lionel, 5/10, $277,000

819 Iranistan Ave, German, Hector and Valentin, Silvia to Rowe, Vivvette, 5/6, $295,000

1322-1328 Stratford Ave, Lema, Fernando D to 1322 Stratford Ave LLC, 5/9, $820,000

1365 E Main St, Yaylagul, Razik and Yaylagul, Mihail to Dahdal, Wael and Almourtada, Alaa, 5/6, $325,000

1369 E Main St, Yaylagul, Razik and Yaylagul, Mihail to Dahdal, Wael and Almourtada, Alaa, 5/6, $325,000

1574 Norman St, Tahavera, Edwin and Diaz, Luis E to Rodriguez, Jorge and Rodriguez, Kristel A, 5/10, $385,000

2612 North Ave Lot E1, Nosyk, Irina to Hernandez, Ashley, 5/6, $232,500

2641 Madison Ave, Ortiz, Hilary D to Melanson, Kimberly, 5/10, $410,000

2768 Madison Ave Lot 2A, Ziko, Artan to Santos, Diego L, 5/11, $170,000

BRIDGEWATER

47 Main St S, Barlow, Walter H to Schifini, George and Kerby, Merideth, 5/9, $550,000

259 New Milford Rd W, Thierfeld, Allison and Thierfeld, Steven to Godden Const Co LLC, 5/9, $535,000

348 Main St S, Wellman, Michael L and Wellman, Colleen to Giacalone, Brian and Giacalone, Laura, 5/11, $772,000

BRISTOL

Lawndale Ave Lot 72, Lenk, Damon J and Lenk, Ronald A to Moore, Tayla, 5/13, $340,000

Lynn Rd Lot 19, Sobestanovich, John S to Sobestanovich, Sharon K, 5/10, $330,000

Lynn Rd Lot 18, Sobestanovich, John S to Sobestanovich, Sharon K, 5/10, $330,000

Village St Lot 37, Industrial Builders&Rlty to Amco Development LLC, 5/11, $100,000

W Washington St Lot 81, Palaia, David to Bryck, Edmond R, 5/13, $10,000

8 Garfield Rd, Levesque, Laurie and Forman, Marie to Chambers, Amanda, 5/12, $275,000

22 Lillian Rd, Soto, Francies S and Soto-Alvares, David to Forrester, Jasmine, 5/10, $220,000

22 Merriman St, M&R Real Realty LLC to Dennis, Akeem H, 5/13, $285,000

24 Zack Ln, Bendas, Marianna T to Bendas, Michael C, 5/11, $350,000

26 Harvest Ln, Giovinazzo, Anthony D to Rivera, Wilfredo and Rivera, Bryan J, 5/11, $257,000

28 Knoll St, Slater, Thomas W to Cugno, David, 5/13, $265,000

49 Gayle Dr, Dilger, Brandon M and Raucci, Olivia to Cox, Kadijah and Cox, Cynthia, 5/9, $277,000

64 Leslie Ct, Calfe, Orlando J and Moseley, Elizabeth M to Jennings, Darnell, 5/13, $300,000

74 Longview Ave, Ridgewood Properties LLC to Goberdhan, Shivani and Glasgow, Dane O, 5/11, $320,000

81 Lancaster Rd, Baxter, Jean M and Harrington, Jessica to Garry, Ethan and Bethea, Dominiqua, 5/10, $240,000

99 Queen St, Chasse, Scott and Chasee, Elizabeth to Chen, Samuel H, 5/9, $320,000

101 Oak Hill Dr, Bank Of America NA and FNMA to Croze, Gregory E, 5/10, $162,000

126 S Street Ext, Velasco Jr, Howard M and Velasco, Carol A to Croze, Myah, 5/12, $85,000

181 Sherbrook St Lot E3, Stelzer, Brooke M to Morales, Fresia, 5/10, $155,000

200 Indian Trl, Champion Mortgage Co and FNMA to Carifa, Kenneth J, 5/13, $209,001

225 Fox Hollow Ln, Pliego, Debra J to Konicki, Joseph, 5/9, $580,000

265 Country Ln, Guarnieri, Jessica to Naik, Alpana and Naik, Gautam A, 5/10, $371,000

448 Farmington Ave, Desmarais Properties LLC to Hashimi Realty Group LLC, 5/13, $575,000

453 East Rd, Belmonte, Lorrie J to Razeq, Ayman, 5/13, $260,000

454 Farmington Ave, Desmarais Properties LLC to Hashimi Realty Group LLC, 5/13, $575,000

460 Farmington Ave, Desmarais Properties LLC to Hashimi Realty Group LLC, 5/13, $575,000

480 Willis St, Cantamessa, Nicholas and Cantamessa, Steven R to Mead Jr, Dean and Collins, Sandra, 5/9, $390,000

489 Perkins St Lot 62-8, Lincoln&Damato LLC to Mazzarella, Thomas and Mazzarella, Rita K, 5/9, $99,900

1086 Burlington Ave, Simola, Mark to Ramirez, Julio A, 5/11, $330,000

1469 Farmington Ave Lot 56, Bousquet, Ryan to Roy, Gilbert, 5/12, $200,500

BROOKFIELD

1 Monika Ln Lot 1, Estes, Jeremy and Estes, Lori to Tita, Donna M, 5/9, $237,500

43-A Secor Rd, Adams, Mark F and Adams, Meredith J to Steike, Kyle and Steike, Stephanie, 5/9, $56,000

166 Whisconier Rd, Froehlich, Craig L to Fan Properties 166 LLC, 5/13, $350,000

BROOKLYN

16 Cote Dr, Dale M Schmude RET and Schmude, Dale M to Dipann, Sophie and Federer, Jordan, 5/12, $270,000

25 Anderson Rd, Tatro, Joseph and Watrous, Bernie to Lachapelle, Kayla and Lachapelle, Matthew, 5/12, $404,000

38 Costello Rd, Smith Gillian M Est and Sweet, Catherine J to Say, David G and Say, Jessica, 5/11, $313,000

96 Proulx St Lot D, KCLS Group LLC to Costa, Keri L, 5/10, $300,000

128 Bailey Woods Rd, Stlaurent, Daniel and Stlaurent, Kelly D to Langlais, David M and Langlais, Michele L, 5/11, $421,000

135 Tatnic Rd, Ramanauskas, Bernard to Haynes, Alyssa and Haynes, Sean, 5/12, $350,000

231 South St, Riley, Patrick to Kiro, Kristin N and Reed, Bradley, 5/12, $375,000

341 Day St, Weaver&Sons LLC to Michalowski, Jason A, 5/12, $410,000

BURLINGTON

15 Washington St, Cleary, Kyle K to Hannigan, Cheryl, 5/13, $299,000

91 Nelson Dr, Carrier Home Builders Inc to Sideranko, Jared P and Sideranko, Deborah G, 5/11, $843,520

233 Spielman Hwy, B D Prop Burlington LLC to Burlington Academy Props, 5/13, $350,000

CANTERBURY

281 Wauregan Rd, Stafford Property Solut and RE Steele Properties LLC to Harrington, James M and Harrington, Jennifer A, 5/11, $329,900

CANTON

6 Scoville Rd, Cante, Fabio and Cante, Sara to Hammer, Maximilian and Hammer, Zoe, 5/9, $420,000

7 Meadowview Ct Lot 7, Johnston, Deborah B to Krish, Jeffrey M and Krish, Cindy D, 5/13, $325,000

9 Wickhams Fancy Lot 9, Alfano Group LLC to Underwood, Allison, 5/10, $275,000

50 E Hill Rd Lot 2F, Feldman, Jason to Ward, Elizabeth, 5/10, $150,000

58 Morgan Rd, Romano, John V and Keaveney, Kelly M to Hawkins, Ryan and Hawkins, Frances, 5/9, $560,000

CHESHIRE

Cook Hill Rd, Vibert, James J and Vibert, Cynthia J to Elim Park Bapt Home Inc, 5/13, $380,000

Eastgate Dr, Kim, Sang J and Kim, Elizabeth H to Rubbio-Oconnor, Peggy and Oconnor, Christian J, 5/10, $450,000

20 Teds Ct, Ledford, Yujin C and Ledford, Steven to Flannery, Grant P, 5/10, $676,400

40 Monarch Pl, Apex Developers LLC to Antrim, Blake S and Antrim, Abbey, 5/11, $962,320

136 Victoria Dr, River Cove Estates LLC to Balnicki, Wayne and Charnecki, Annette, 5/9, $543,384

745 S Main St Lot 745, Gaudio, Nancy to Bisson, Brittany, 5/13, $225,000

867 Coleman Rd, Rich, Thomas C and Rich, Margaret M to Eisensith, Maria, 5/11, $375,000

875 Peck Ln, Rochford, David E and Rochford, Laura V to Shapiro, Zachary and Cooper, Kristen A, 5/13, $840,000

1358 S Main St, Le, Robin B and Le, Tam to Mckinley, Keyla K and Mckinley, Christopher L, 5/13, $560,000

CLINTON

7 Fir Ridge Rd, Harris Frederick J Est and Harris, Cathleen A to Harris, Cathleen A and Harris, Frederick J, 5/12, $141,000

32 E Walk, JKL Properties LLC to Raus, Robert A, 5/12, $1,200,000

47 Hurd Bridge Rd, Gaylord, Harold to Petrucci, Stephen R and Taylor, Carolanne, 5/9, $305,000

48 Hammonassett Ave, Barbour, Russell and Jelley, William H to K J&Nancy E Ohara LT and Ohara, Keith J, 5/12, $271,000

COLCHESTER

39 East Ct Lot 39, Carey, Jay R to Mcevoy, Thomas and Mcevoy, Dorothy, 5/10, $349,900

COLEBROOK

368 Sandy Brook Rd, Williams, Trevor M and Williams, Laura R to Parenteau, John F and Jones, Margaret L, 5/13, $355,000

404 Colebrook Rd, Young, Stephen A and Young, Sharon S to Webb, Robert A and Cameron, Kim, 5/10, $717,500

COLUMBIA

27 Route 87, Aheart, Robert L to Dziubinski, Rosemary, 5/9, $325,000

COVENTRY

Lewis Hill Rd, Gianelli, Michael to Rooke, Garrett, 5/13, $10,000

S River Rd, Conway, Seth and Conway, Kristy to Coventry Town Of, 5/6, $69,000

43 Ireland Dr, Maric, Radenka to Howell, James T, 5/6, $320,500

74 Daly Rd, Burnett, Robert H and Burnett, Betty W to Burnett, Megan, 5/4, $230,000

157 Stonehouse Rd, Syed, Mohamad to Pacheco, Stephen and Pacheco, Shantal, 5/3, $75,000

162 Lakeview Dr, Lopes, Vinny to Grillo Jr, Joseph M, 5/3, $100,000

512 Laurel Trl, Hietala, Linda A and FNMA to Sharp, Jeffrey A and Vekakis-Sharp, Sarah A, 5/12, $179,000

1264 Main St, Cowles James C Est and Cowles, Kathyann M to Xu Investment LLC, 5/5, $275,000

1451 N River Rd, Failla Jr, Louis T and Failla, Helen D to Carney, Wayne and Carney, Betsy, 5/10, $235,000

2501 Main St, Leblanc, Kristopher to Tsitaridis, Constance M, 5/9, $199,900

CROMWELL

5 Beechwood Cir, Riskosky, Ryan E to Mitre, Marjeta, 5/6, $500,000

7 Bayberry Ct Lot 7, Buccheri, Elizabeth to Annis, Daniel, 5/10, $195,000

53 Field Rd, Beaupre, Parker to Gentela, Arpita and Latner, Benjamin, 5/10, $350,000

145 Salem Dr Lot 145, Spencer Sonita Est and Spencer, Sherrill to Watkins, Jett and Nadeau, Mary, 5/6, $211,000

150 Salem Dr Lot 150, Hunter, John P to Lurate, Caitlin P, 5/10, $211,000

DANBURY

Great Plain Rd, Tomanio Carlo J Est and Tomanio, John A to Maldonado, Fernando J and Cando-Segundo, E G, 5/9, $357,000

1 Beech Trl, Lerose 3rd, Joseph A and Lerose, Pamela to Baronti, Steven and Baronti, Lynn, 5/11, $232,000

1 Fairfield Ave Lot 1, Velasquez, Maricel P to Cashabamba, Angle, 5/10, $205,000

3 Beechwood Dr, Schrack Jr, Charles A to Dube, Nakia, 5/12, $275,000

4 E Meadow Dr, Maisincho, Luis A and Duque, Maria M to Kaminski, Rogerio and Kaminski, Patricia D, 5/12, $460,000

5 The By Way, Lewandoski, Leigh and Lebenson, Ellen to VLR Of Long Island Inc, 5/9, $710,000

6 Cedar Dr, Gunther Jr, Kurt C to Velez, Sandra, 5/9, $512,500

7 Rivington Way Lot 7, Candela, Anthony and Candela, Linda to Mcgoey Jr, William B and Mcgoey, Kathleen R, 5/10, $684,000

8 6th St, Situ Hector D Est and Horn, Sarah F to Llanos, Delia C, 5/10, $345,000

8 Fanton Rd, Obrien, John and Obrien, Eileen to Baronti, Julia and Baldanza, Robert, 5/11, $390,000

8 Foster St, DJ Foster LLC to Morgado, Marlene and Morgado, Mauricio, 5/9, $325,000

13 Crestdale Rd, Lundstrom, Meggin A and Roche, Matthew M to Sansotta, Marissa and Caputo, Vincent, 5/9, $511,000

14 Woodcrest Ln Lot 14, Ortiz, Alejandro H and Ortiz, Alicia J to Foley, Paul R and Foley, Kelli A, 5/9, $446,000

15 Clark St, Moran, Robert and Moran, John to Perez, Martha S and Toral, Mario R, 5/9, $278,600

17 Corn Tassle Rd, Miller, Matthew J to Vasquez, Armenia M and Angrisani, Matthew, 5/12, $525,000

26 Davis St, Moscoso, Marco and Patacios, Ruth E to Tibipa, Marco, 5/10, $550,000

26 Longview Ave, Doppke, Kelly L to Benincasa, Scott D, 5/9, $300,000

27 Crows Nest Ln Lot 21A, Huestis, Thomas J to Dasilva, Alexandre and Perpetuo, Alene, 5/9, $250,000

32 Ives St, Larson Investments LLC to Edwin Properties LLC, 5/11, $1,600,000

32-1/2 Pembroke Rd, Phim, Houn S and Ath, Sampos to Sandoval, Francisco, 5/9, $300,000

32-34 White St, Larson Investments LLC to Edwin Properties LLC, 5/11, $1,600,000

45 Pocono Ln Lot 25, Bhoga, Aditya and Ambati, Triveni C to Robinson, Natasha, 5/11, $525,000

50 Meadowbrook Rd, Tomanio Carlo J Est and Tomanio, John A to Maldonado, Fernando J and Cando-Segundo, E G, 5/9, $357,000

59 Warrington Round Lot 59, Storhoff, Wesley E and Storhoff, Teresa to Molina, Robert and Molina, Blanca, 5/9, $530,000

61 Winding Ridge Way Lot 61, Saultz, Robert E and Saultz, Debra M to Palmer, Elizabeth J and Palmer, Barry R, 5/11, $670,000

85 Brentwood Cir Lot 85, Toll CT 3 LP to Wright, Dana, 5/12, $705,777

93 Fairview Dr Lot 1, Cosentino, Christine to Krasniqi, Besian and Krasniqi, Lavdie M, 5/12, $175,000

94 Padanaram Rd Lot 219, Katock, Vikas to Slip Kid LLC, 5/9, $160,000

168 Warrington Round Lot 168, Storhoff, Wesley E and Storhoff, Teresa to Molina, Robert and Molina, Blanca, 5/9, $530,000

190 White St, 190 White Street LLC to Twinkle Little Star Learn, 5/12, $1,500,000

479 Cowperthwaite St, Lay, Heather to Rullo, Deni P, 5/10, $220,000

479 N Main St, Lay, Heather to Rullo, Deni P, 5/10, $220,000

DARIEN

13 Hillcrest Ave, Hellman Jr, Thomas C and Hellman, Cathleen B to Dooley, Patrick J and Wang, Ying, 5/9, $2,200,888

14 Winding Ln, Kreuch, Mitchell K and Kreuch, Alison P to Ward, Erik R and Ward, Abby L, 5/10, $2,867,000

23 Crimmins Rd, Prakash, Aditya C and Zaveri, Aarohi D to Rogers, Sean and Rogers, Mallory, 5/5, $1,400,000

28-B Old Farm Rd, Aquamarine Prop 28B LLC to Doughty FT and Doughty, Douglas, 5/10, $5,250,000

39 Noroton Ave, Fannie P Ungemack RET and Ungemack, Jane A to Live Oak Capital LLC, 5/9, $760,000

DEEP RIVER

218 Warsaw St, Guerrera Jr, James to Berggren, David H and Gualazzi, Amanda L, 5/9, $355,000

DERBY

Beau Arms Condo Lot 109, Coutinho, Betsy to Barrera, Natalia A, 5/10, $210,000

2 West Ct Lot 2, Aspuru, Ricardo and Aspuru, Maria to Claggett, Calvin, 5/11, $250,000

14 Grove Ave, Maldonado, Jennifer M and Maldonado, Juan C to Vondras, Michael and Vondras, Nicole, 5/10, $270,000

36 Spring St, Lawrence, Nicholas to Prescod Jr, Delvin A, 5/10, $247,000

89 Hawthorne Ave, Diur, Sarah and Diur, Nathan to Lopez, Carlos E, 5/13, $227,750

109 Hawkins St, Elhammamy, Mohammed and Elhammamy, Lorraine to Noriega, Denise, 5/13, $255,000

DURHAM

25 Mill Pond Ln Lot D, Fairchild, Theresa and Fairchild, Mark to Eddy, Vera A, 5/12, $142,500

EAST GRANBY

8 Hamilton Rd, Cerri, Matthew R to Marchbanks, Eric J and Marchbanks, Meghan R, 5/9, $310,000

188 Hartford Ave, Ball, Spencer R to Siebiedzinska, Edyta A and Siebiedzinska, Sebastian, 5/12, $360,000

EAST HADDAM

Palmer Martin Rd, Tirone, Stephen M and Fabiano, Mikako to Lin, Shu and Mastromarino 3rd, A R, 5/9, $485,000

44 A P Gates Rd, Stanley, Sandra J and Stanley, Roland S to Stanley, Roland E, 5/10, $350,000

67 Ray Hill Rd, Tirone, Stephen M and Fabiano, Mikako to Lin, Shu and Mastromarino 3rd, A R, 5/9, $485,000

74 Pine Rd, Doski, Carolyn J to Rinaldi Real Estate LLC, 5/11, $106,500

EAST HAMPTON

17 Fernwood Rd, Manfredi, Kelley and Manfredi, Stacy to Kenney 2nd, Thomas E, 5/10, $352,000

43 Chestnut Hill Rd, Mall-Markham, Jannette to Sioch, Kyle and Bersing, Shelby M, 5/9, $310,000

88 Laurel Rdg Lot 88, Robertson, Carl W and Robertson, Josephine R to Gustafson, Robert D and Drake, Jody L, 5/10, $400,000

301 Waterhole Rd, Pitman, Dawn to Cunningham, Christian B and Cunningham, Shannon E, 5/9, $220,000

EAST HARTFORD

Princeton Ln, Tarleton, Marilyn N to Garcia, Anthony F, 5/12, $130,000

10 Chester St, Habitat Humanity N Ctrl to Elhajji, Abdelaaziz, 5/9, $266,700

17 Jefferson Ln, Stebbins Barbara A Est and Clark, Sean P to Pudlo, Michael, 5/13, $97,500

19 Livingston Rd, Dalal, Shaukathusein G to Mendez, Julius and Ruiz, Sonia E, 5/12, $230,000

31 Timrod Trl, Botero, Jackeline and Zapata, Julian B to Young, Justin, 5/9, $370,000

31 Woodycrest Dr, Denson, Tondra to Holda, Margaret, 5/10, $250,000

79 Lafayette Ave, Melendez, Abner and Melendez, Amanda to Perez, Migdalia and Toro, Luis A, 5/9, $195,000

86-90 Burnside Ave, Patel, Manu and Patel, Nirupama M to Pushparam LLC, 5/11, $72,000

98 Oxford Dr, Tarleton, Marilyn N to Garcia, Anthony F, 5/12, $130,000

123 Hills St, Hebert, Ruth A to Hebert, Keith W, 5/12, $25,000

133 Langford Ln, Corion, Dexter to Costa, Aaron M and Costa, Amy B, 5/13, $375,000

148 Harvest Ln, Lawrence, Kathleen M to Thezan, Carroll and Thezan, Raymonde, 5/11, $345,000

200 Forbes St, Habitat Humanity N Ctrl to Soares, Cheryl, 5/9, $266,700

365 Hills St, Hogan, James L and Hogan, Rhonda C to Rosario, Julio A and Rosario, Daniela F, 5/11, $260,000

640 Forbes St, 640 Forbes Street LLC to Ayala, Julio, 5/9, $268,000

EAST HAVEN

Kimberly Ave, Cleveland, Brian and Cleveland, Amanda to Jabbour, Imad and Hanna, Naela, 5/13, $230,000

Main St, Cleveland, Brian and Cleveland, Amanda to Jabbour, Imad and Hanna, Naela, 5/13, $230,000

Sound View Ave, Equity Based RE LLC to Feldman, Rachel M, 5/11, $449,000

13 Roy St, Mccaul, Brian W to Dimartino, David, 5/9, $328,000

21 Stevens St, Brasile, Alfred P and Brasile, Patricia R to Johnson, Davon M, 5/11, $309,000

27 Stevens St, Brasile, Alfred P and Brasile, Patricia R to Johnson, Davon M, 5/11, $309,000

37 Hartman Ave, Harwood, Heather to Carr, Kelli, 5/13, $260,000

57 Pardee Pl, Cleveland, Brian and Cleveland, Amanda to Jabbour, Imad and Hanna, Naela, 5/13, $230,000

71 Dodge Ave, Jones, Michael to Bates, Bethany and Crookston, Scott, 5/13, $255,000

85 Henry St, Equity Based RE LLC to Feldman, Rachel M, 5/11, $449,000

103 Kenneth St Lot 103, Myers, Agnes to Myers, Natasha and Myers, Stanley, 5/13, $125,000

172 Foxon Blvd, Clyne FT and Goodrich, Theresa M to 172 Foxon Boulevard LLC, 5/10, $262,250

330 Short Beach Rd Lot F2, Malavolti, Cara to Maltese, Anthony M and Maltese, Melissa A, 5/10, $98,000

364 Main St, Joseph G Leonard Jr T and Leonard Jr, Joseph G to Moniello, Allison, 5/9, $75,000

EAST LYME

E Lyme Boston Post Rd, Orchards E Lyme Dev to Chen, Jia M and Yang, Jing J, 5/12, $718,300

Iron Pin Dr, Korineck Jr, Martin S to 2 Chapman Beach Rd LLC, 5/11, $211,600

Joval St, Diaz, Oscar to Schneider, Lindsay P and Opsahl, Adam, 5/13, $360,000

Ronapna Rd, Tinker, Amy to Mandeville, Alan M and Crowell, Sarah, 5/11, $325,000

Scott Rd, Orchards E Lyme Dev to Chen, Jia M and Yang, Jing J, 5/12, $718,300

N/A, Arnold Barbara E Est and Farris, Jennifer L to Wood Jr, Alexander S and Arnold, Barbara E, 5/13, $151,000

12 North Rd, M&Marilyn Grant T and Grant, Malcolm J to Burchsted Jr, Gary and Burchsted, Jenna, 5/9, $311,990

17 Cove Dr, Coyle Dorothy I Est and Coyle, Carole A to Nahass, Joseph J, 5/9, $250,000

21 Plum Hl, Kulas, Jeffrey C and Xiong, Jun to Mcqueen, James T and Mcqueen, Michelle T, 5/10, $730,000

28 North Rd, Robert J Smith T and Connolly, Kimberley S to Kahn 4th, Sidney L and Kahn, Carrie T, 5/12, $328,500

28 North Rd, Smith Diane Z Est and Connolly, Kimberley S to Kahn 4th, Sidney L and Kahn, Carrie T, 5/12, $328,500

30 Pumpkin Grv, Orchards E Lyme Dev to Chen, Jia M and Yang, Jing J, 5/12, $718,300

76 S Washington Ave, Faghri, Amir and Faghri, Pouran to Bracht, Susan A and Bracht, Alexa J, 5/13, $900,000

EAST WINDSOR

Graham Rd, Carlson, Heath A to Cottrill, Heather L, 5/13, $263,000

Main St, Bank Of America NA to Warehouse Point Fire Dist, 5/12, $200,000

Miller Rd, Carlson, Heath A to Cottrill, Heather L, 5/13, $263,000

45 S Main St, Muska, David to Rexhepi, Rilind, 5/9, $45,000

81 Bridge St, Bank Of America NA to Warehouse Point Fire Dist, 5/12, $200,000

EASTFORD

Ashford Lk, Stansel, Paul and Stansel, Rachel to Zhang, Chu, 5/12, $424,749

118 Ashford Rd Lot 4, Schrock FT and Schrock, Kathleen to Robinson, Paul A and Robinson, Gloria J, 5/11, $225,000

123-E Ashford Rd, Lahaie, Lorna T to Chenette, Lawrence F and Chenette, Lynn M, 5/11, $200,000

EASTON

39 Fairview Ave, Mccoy, Kenneth L and Mccoy, Diana R to Devito, Peter and Devito, Megan, 5/9, $710,000

80 Crossbow Ln, Masserman, Matthew and Masserman, Kristi to Remmell, Paul, 5/11, $1,325,000

88 Silver Hill Rd, Levine-Esposito, Lori to Mulvaney, Mark, 5/12, $911,600

ELLINGTON

Abbott Rd, Mcteague Gerald T Est and Nicoletti, Calleen to Greening, Bruce and Greening, Stacey, 5/9, $305,000

1 Abbott Rd Lot 164, Farney, Harriet to Gerber, Dawn M, 5/12, $115,000

1 Abbott Rd Lot 184, Nelson, Heather D to Piorek, Corinne H, 5/10, $124,000

1 Abbott Rd Lot 45, Mckeegan, Lindsay A to Meyer, Lindsay, 5/13, $155,000

4 Ardsley Ln Lot 4, Mcteague Gerald T Est and Nicoletti, Calleen to Greening, Bruce and Greening, Stacey, 5/9, $305,000

26 Overhill Rd, RSK Kellco Inc to Ferenc, Beth A, 5/12, $124,900

39 Florence Ave, Bowman, Joseph A and Bowman, Michelle M to Strong, Karista J, 5/9, $275,000

ENFIELD

Booth St, Willemain, Justin M to Piorek, Francis, 5/9, $266,000

Highland Ave, Lucky Chengs LLC to Chen, Qi, 5/11, $235,000

North St, Calabash LLC to Pleasant View Farms Inc, 5/9, $180,000

Proposed Rd, Willemain, Justin M to Piorek, Francis, 5/9, $266,000

Taylor Rd, Calabash LLC to Pleasant View Farms Inc, 5/9, $180,000

Whitacres Marble Rd, Willemain, Justin M to Piorek, Francis, 5/9, $266,000

7 Watch Hill Dr Lot 76, Mannarino Builders Inc to Dicarlo, Deborah and Dicarlo, Vincent, 5/11, $468,200

10 Green Valley Dr, Attias, Meyer to Hart Jr, Glenn G and

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

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476 Pleasant Valley Rd S Lot 476, Ladino, Nestor J and Pancrazio, Mark to Kanabis, Carol, 5/5, $219,000

GUILFORD

Deepwood Dr, Deraney, Peter B and Deraney, Marilyn F to Papale, Michael J and Papale, Nisha V, 5/10, $500,000

Mirror Ln, Durand, William F to Newton, Leigh A, 5/13, $379,000

44 Long Hill Farm, Muir FT and Muir, Jane G to Boyd, Timothy and Boyd, Anastasia, 5/13, $395,000

70 Highwoods Dr, Durand, William F to Newton, Leigh A, 5/13, $379,000

95 Saddle Hill Dr, Dwyer, Julie to Barnes, Lauren, 5/10, $500,000

123 Laurelbrook Dr, Owens, Brian T to Cordova, Fabian, 5/11, $167,500

182 Durham Rd, Raj K&M M Jain RET and Jain, Raj K to Wachen, John and Do, Kim, 5/13, $620,000

205 Chaffinch Island Rd, Deraney, Peter B and Deraney, Marilyn F to Papale, Michael J and Papale, Nisha V, 5/10, $500,000

HADDAM

19 Depot Rd, Harlow, Stephen and Peterson, Norma J to Cowger, Deborah P, 5/9, $310,000

21 Brainard Hill Rd, Emery Chase Mgmt LLC to Winter, Alexandre, 5/10, $385,000

27 Crabapple Cors, Frey 2nd, Frank T and Frey, Melissa D to Rollins, Wayne R and Berwick, Kent E, 5/9, $485,000

37 Christian Hill Ln, Todzia, Jonathan and Todzia, Samuel to Tower, Joel, 5/9, $215,900

85 Christian Hill Rd, Rahman, Md S to Schwers, Hans H and Schwers, Paula C, 5/11, $433,000

1588 Saybrook Rd, Winkley, Margaret A to Clover Realty Hldg Co LLC, 5/10, $318,275

HAMDEN

31 School St Lot D, Melissa Moorer LT and Moorer, Melissa to Coady, Robert, 5/9, $125,000

43 Denslow Hill Rd, Standish, Richard T and Standish, Helen R to Grullon, Helinton and Gomera, Yudelin, 5/10, $295,000

43 Village Cir, Giarrizzo, Maria to James, Jacqueline, 5/9, $328,000

61 Park Ave, Dwyer, Steven to Dwyer, Daniel P and Munoz-Gonzalez, Paula A, 5/10, $263,000

65 Michael Rd, Oconnor, Peggy R and Oconnor, Christian J to Rodriguez-Guzman, Jorge N and Moreno, Misael, 5/10, $265,000

88 Shepards Knoll Dr Lot 88, Krutoholow, Peter J to Pierre-Louis, Renaldo, 5/10, $132,000

118 Kirk Rd, Millionaire Mindset LLC to Robertds, Gillian P, 5/11, $365,000

141 Gorham Ave, Longobardi, Anthony to Wilson, Kyle J and Wilson, Shirley A, 5/9, $275,000

150 Deepwood Dr, Drenttel, Jessica H and Helfand, Jessica to 150 Newf Haven LLC, 5/9, $1,618,000

151 Centerbrook Rd, Kapoor, Kishore I and Kapoor, Ruchi to Curcio, Mark A and Curcio, Robin M, 5/10, $101,000

577 Woodin St, Villaneuva, Jose to Caldera Investments LLC, 5/10, $95,000

2415 Shepard Ave Lot 23, Peterson, Robert to Maturo, Rocco P and Maturo, Barbara, 5/10, $200,000

2575 Whitney Ave, Livolsi, Robert L and Livolsi, Christine A to Rell LLC, 5/10, $225,000

HARTFORD

5 Linden Pl Lot 5A, Chick, Kevin J to Bowman, Joseph A and Bowman, Michelle M, 5/10, $340,000

10 Sanford St, Common Hartford Acc Inc to Primer Prop Group CT2 LLC, 5/11, $430,000

10-12 Tremont St, Gilkes, Ray S and Gilkes, Janice J to Boone, Nancy C and Johnson, Jory, 5/10, $290,000

20 Henry St, Adorno, Magali to Real Est Reinvented LLC, 5/10, $121,000

26 Freeman St, Moo, Ser N and Moo, Ser E to Camacho, Waldmer and Camacho, Viviana, 5/11, $214,900

29-31 Barker St, Ajodhi, Preetam to Teran, Shantall, 5/12, $285,000

38-40 Mahl Ave, 38 Mahl Ct LLC to SC Mahl Ave LLC, 5/11, $255,000

43-45 Clifford St, Clifford St Apts LLC to Dompersh, Angelia A, 5/10, $370,000

52-54 Barker St, Jac Prop Management Inc to Tabanna, Talisha, 5/11, $300,000

55-57 Hazel St, Victor G Mathieu T and Gomes, Jesse M to Escobar-Deleon, Eberth E, 5/12, $330,000

63-65 Greenfield St, P&L Electric LLC to Herbert, Rendy, 5/10, $150,000

77-81 Mountford St Lot A2, Striewski, Gary L to Khan, Nadia, 5/11, $88,000

86 Fairmount St Lot 86, Hamilton, Sophia L to Manrique, Dalia, 5/12, $45,000

87 Amity St, Salcedo, Francisca and Salcedo, Janelle to Shaw 4th, George J, 5/9, $282,470

142-144 Adams St, Wilmington Svgs Fund Soc to Abe Abe LLC, 5/11, $100,000

147 Vine St, 147-149 Vine St LLC to Robinson, Derrick and Robinson, Cynthia, 5/12, $220,000

157-159 Magnolia St, Tracey, Dorian J to Patterson, Christina, 5/11, $290,000

160 Burnham St, Smith, Dane A and Tower Fund Svcs to S&Y Realty LLC, 5/9, $140,000

186 Capen St, Allen, Tyler L to Benjamin, Daeson, 5/9, $80,000

197-199 Russ St, Antonio Hall Mgmt LLC to Clear Water RE LLC, 5/9, $292,000

236 Girard Ave, Stroe, Angela to Gallicchio, Carrie A, 5/10, $710,000

294-296 Maple Ave, Rozenshteyn, Eubene to Faria, Charley, 5/11, $340,000

1928-1930 Broad St, Valdiviezo, Aldo to Goldstein, Maya A, 5/10, $350,000

2370-2384 Main St, Common Hartford Acc Inc to Primer Prop Group CT2 LLC, 5/11, $430,000

HARWINTON

9 Carlton Rd, Lentz, Justin to Goudreault Jr, Paul H, 5/10, $280,000

80 Lead Mine Brook Rd, Martin, Jeremy E to Ramirez, Erick and Ramirex-Montanez, Evelyn, 5/9, $500,000

HEBRON

80 Wellswood Rd Lot 28, Sottile, Carl and Sottile, Sarah to Kostant, Christina M and Kostant, Joan L, 5/13, $152,000

KILLINGLY

4 Polly Ave, Dureault, Lawrence E to Augustynski, Jeremy P and Augustynski, Melissa L, 5/9, $282,500

15 Green Hollow Rd, Rossi, Justin L and Rossi, Hannah to Voghell, Tricia L, 5/12, $370,000

16 Center St, KMS Properties LLC to 55 Mechanic LLC, 5/11, $304,500

21 Lhomme St, Gebo, Scott to Derosier, Thomas and Derosier, Cayla, 5/12, $252,500

25 Robertson Ave, Starnes, Joseph B and Dionizio, Gina to Pepin, Sarah and Pepin, Travis, 5/9, $408,500

53 Waterman St, Porzio, Anthony A and Porzio, Jody A to Riley, Thomas P and Riley, Katherine R, 5/9, $381,000

95 Cottage St, MDL Leatherbee Acquisitn to Josh&C D Birrell RET and Birrell, Josh, 5/10, $876,000

97 Cottage St, MDL Leatherbee Acquisitn to Josh&C D Birrell RET and Birrell, Josh, 5/10, $876,000

101 Cottage St, MDL Leatherbee Acquisitn to Josh&C D Birrell RET and Birrell, Josh, 5/10, $876,000

105 Cottage St, MDL Leatherbee Acquisitn to Josh&C D Birrell RET and Birrell, Josh, 5/10, $876,000

164 Terwilleger Rd, Mathewson Ronald J Est and Mathewson, C J to Sage, Kevin M and Schwarting, Catherie A, 5/12, $281,000

KILLINGWORTH

17 Pond Meadow Rd, Olson, Alex A to Behan, Douglas, 5/12, $815,000

170 Old County Rd, Cook, Deborah A to Calistri-Yeh, Randall J and Calistri-Yeh, Mildred, 5/9, $515,000

830 Route 148, Swierad, Laurel to Stark, Anne L and Stark, Daniel E, 5/11, $925,000

LEBANON

87 Barker Rd, Summa, Michael J to Fournier-Decoste, Katheryn and Fournier, Bruce D, 5/13, $435,000

1742 Exeter Rd Lot T7, Seidel, Deborah to Webster, Margaret, 5/12, $37,400

LEDYARD

5 Lakeside Dr Lot K, Taylor, Dylan Z to Koch Jr, Charles, 5/12, $150,000

14 Autumn Way, Mt Kined Builders LLC to Socha, Jeremy D and Socha, Allison T, 5/9, $85,000

16 West Dr, Young, Jennifer L and Young, Carl to Baldueza Jr, Jaime, 5/9, $334,000

35 Overlook Rd, Davis, Joan K to Bolek, Michael, 5/12, $318,000

77 Iron St, Sheffield, Chevy L to Kalt, Gregory J and Kalt, Ashley M, 5/9, $330,000

LISBON

110 Bundy Hill Rd, Ladyga, Cassandra to Barnes, Anita V, 5/10, $355,000

LITCHFIELD

21 Maple Rdg, Spiotti, Mary E to Maher, Stephen and Maher, Sheryl, 5/13, $1,020,000

62 Camp Dutton Rd, Lovato, Miranda D and Close, Matthew W to Muench, David R and Muench, Marina, 5/10, $420,000

254 Hunter Dr Lot 254, Gruber, Darrell to Fellerman, Stanley R and Fellerman, Carol M, 5/9, $520,000

317 Milton Rd, Vos, Michiel and Pelosi, Alexandra to Doron, Uri and Tzohar, Cigal, 5/13, $1,575,000

568 Torrington Rd, Olson, Scott to Graham&Graham LLC, 5/11, $500,000

MADISON

Fawn Brook Cir, Haims, Cathy to Martin, Katherine I and Martin, Simon J, 5/11, $610,000

Horsepond Rd, Car Wash Realty LLC to Chagnon, William P and Chagnon, Liza J, 5/11, $758,750

Mungertown Rd, Janssen, John D and Janssen, Richard C to Madison Town Of, 5/12, $1,300,000

30 Toffee Ln, Luciani, Mario to Ginsburg, Philip M, 5/11, $2,000,000

35 Lenore Dr, Goldman, Colin P and Goldman, Christie L to Hesselgrave, Shawn C and Hesselgrave, Natalie, 5/12, $1,100,000

912 Boston Post Rd, Generals Residence Madiso to Boyer, Megan C and Boyer, Terry M, 5/12, $1,136,948

MANCHESTER

Dorothy Rd, Carney, Wayne and Carney, Betsy to Jaworski, Barbara F and Feldman, Allison J, 5/11, $246,000

Prospect St, Moffit John Est and Moffit, Gregory J to Jenacaro, Linda A, 5/10, $367,500

14 Delmont St, Giannelli, Campion to Pruthi, Sandeep and Arora, Vritika, 5/9, $231,000

20 Butler Rd, Kelly, Margaret D and Rosenbaum, Nancy K to Ross, Michael, 5/10, $266,000

22 Prospect St Lot 47, Vernali, Salvatore to Chappell, Paul and Chappell, Shelley, 5/10, $130,000

23 Devon Dr, Forgey Janet M Est and Forgey, Janet M to Cantara, Bradley R, 5/9, $180,000

25 Saddle Hill Rd, Peach Of Chris Chrch T and Waseem, Nadia M to Degraffenreaidt, Cheryl and Degraffenreaidt, Keith, 5/10, $456,000

28 Woodbridge St, Locario, Danny and Locario, Sharifa F to Locario, Rashidi and Jules, Bermude, 5/11, $310,000

76 Stephanies Way, Benzing Edward T Est and Ullrich, David L to Bushnell, Carol M and Smith, Louise C, 5/10, $380,000

85 Middle Tpke E, Byron, Phillip and Byron, Gladys A to Antvvi, Sandra, 5/10, $268,000

110 Tufts Dr, Seth, Amit to Martinez, David and Cintron, Amy, 5/10, $475,000

149 Porter St, Williams, Allen D and Brown-Williams, Jeanne to Pierre-Daudier, Anne M and Pierre, Jean V, 5/9, $217,000

190 Henry St, Topping, John D to Nguyen, Thanh V, 5/10, $260,000

199 Woodland St, Cantara, Bradley and Thurston, Derek to Scott, Shannoya, 5/10, $243,000

273 Ludlow Rd, Packer, Michele M to Mattis, Tashi, 5/10, $310,000

363 Lake St, Chapman, Jessica L to Terry, Michael, 5/10, $290,000

440 Keeney St, Strona Jr, Gregory J to Ude, Ebei U, 5/9, $345,000

MANSFIELD

N/A Lot 37, Mercier Dorothea A Est and Lewis, Ichele M to Oldham, Steven C and Oldham, Victoria A, 5/5, $309,900

5 White Oak Condo Lot A, Ocampo, Ana M and Ocampo, Luis F to Owen, Jonathan, 5/5, $102,000

28 Daleville Rd, Park Street Cheng LLC to Sha, Sha, 5/10, $300,000

31 Ledgewood Dr, Fitzgerald, Allen M to Blacroc Holdings LLC, 5/12, $250,000

87 Old Turnpike Rd, Homeworks Properties LLC to Jennifers Homes LLC, 5/13, $100,000

257 Hanks Hill Rd, D Stedman Hanks LT and Hanks, D Stedman to Harvel, Jason T and Harvel, Sara M, 5/11, $176,000

787 Mansfield City Rd, Koirala, Hari and Koirala, Sita to Cordero-Bultted, Jose M and Rosario, Yisel, 5/13, $390,000

MARLBOROUGH

15-21 Lake Rd, Grasso, Anthony J to Georgeraymond RE LLC, 5/12, $410,000

32 Stony Brook Dr, Durso Sr, Jeffrey L and Durso, Diana to Hayes, Sean M, 5/13, $365,000

MERIDEN

N/A, Kandalen, Deirdre to Phipps, Gerard F, 5/9, $187,000

10 Knob Hill Rd, Santos, Raymond to Whalen, Kathryn R and Potenzial, Bethany C, 5/9, $271,000

11 Oak St, Fabian, Alyssa to Petithomme, Chardson, 5/10, $276,000

19 Eastview Ter, Cepaniewski, James E to Zenisky, Tina, 5/9, $232,000

20 Fairview Ave, Merlini, Joyce to Tranquillo, Thalia, 5/13, $145,000

22 Womens Way, Reyes, Bertha A to Gililo, Chiara, 5/10, $164,000

23 Hill St Lot 2, Poulin, Melissa D to Devpolineni, Raja K and Polineni, Chantal, 5/9, $100,000

49 Suzy Ct, Waterfield, Michelle K to Baker, Jeremy D and Baker, Carissa L, 5/10, $550,000

50 Sylvan Valley Rd, Vermeulen, Sandra J to Medina, Nicole and Streater, Robert, 5/10, $250,000

73 Springdale Ave, Carmody, Paula C to Carmody, Cazarina, 5/10, $70,000

77 Bee St, Folta, Joshua M to Gable, Ryan J and Gable, Kaitlynne A, 5/12, $23,000

90 Milici Cir, Nishiyama, Dona to Mansi, April and Mansi, Joseph, 5/10, $406,000

124 Camp St, Rivera, Mariana to Landy, Ana, 5/10, $305,000

126 Orchid Rd, Mckenna, Rachel R to Doolittle, Amy, 5/11, $212,000

223 Hicks Ave, Rossi, Karen L to Forrester, John, 5/10, $255,000

278 Crown St, Rivera, Jose and Rivera, Talia to Ye, Vernice and Heron, Tameka, 5/10, $200,000

310 Spring St, Johnson, Kathleen to Rodrigues, Jack, 5/13, $210,000

MIDDLEBURY

15 Jericho Rd, Hummel Carline C Est and Hummel, Peri A to Gereg, Colin J, 5/12, $421,000

MIDDLEFIELD

Mattabeseck Rd, Brown James E Est and Brown Jr, James to Franza, Jeanne, 5/12, $200,000

20 Mohican Rd, Brown James E Est and Brown Jr, James to Franza, Jeanne, 5/12, $200,000

29 Kickapoo Rd, Vollaro, Andrew and Vollaro, Cynthia A to Corniello, Caroline M and Corniello, Francis A, 5/10, $575,000

30 Kickapoo Rd, Vollaro, Andrew and Vollaro, Cynthia A to Corniello, Caroline M and Corniello, Francis A, 5/10, $575,000

71 Lake Shore Dr, Vollaro, Andrew and Vollaro, Cynthia A to Corniello, Caroline M and Corniello, Francis A, 5/10, $575,000

MIDDLETOWN

16 Braeburn Ln, Atherton, Kellin M and Atherton, Sigrid A to Williams, Ryan A, 5/9, $215,000

19 Park Pl, J P&P A Colonghi LT and Colonghi, John P to Lin, Kaifeng, 5/10, $305,000

25 Pashley Ln, Chown, Matthew D and Pheng, Michelle to Lamson, Morgan L and Digregorio, Stephen J, 5/10, $550,000

27 Kent Ct, Lucier, Carly to Golubowski, Emily, 5/11, $297,900

28 Rising Trail Dr Lot 28, Wilmington Svgs Fund Soc to Jasa, Jenna, 5/10, $147,500

32 Fairview Ave, Mccomber, Brian M to Thompson, Nigel and Simone-Thompson, Zaira, 5/9, $225,000

44 Shelley Rd, Harris, Mary A to Vinci, Jonathan E and Vinci, Jennifer M, 5/10, $150,000

74 Mill St, Lapointe, Jean P to K&R Properties LLC, 5/9, $167,500

90 Burgundy Hill Ln Lot 90, Roy, David and Roy, Laura to Johnson, Michael, 5/10, $105,000

125 Bridge St, Y2J Management LLC and Pan, Yvonne Y to Igi Business LLC, 5/10, $237,000

136 Grand St, Marquardt, Alyssa and Signore, Tonishia to Bou-Fakhreddine, Ann M and Bou-Fakhreddine, Hanna, 5/9, $280,000

339 Main St, 337-351 Main St LLC to 339 Main LLC, 5/10, $800,000

361 Camp St, Staley, Monique O to Buttram, Pauline and Buttram, Fredric, 5/9, $334,900

394 Congdon St, Campbell John F Est and Campbell, John P to Campbell, Joseph, 5/12, $200,000

530 Millbrook Rd, Murzyn, Brandon and Murzyn, Giannina to Stanco, Mark, 5/9, $325,000

MILFORD

Long Island View Rd, Capoccitti June C Est and Capoccitti, John V to Our Long Is Vw Cottage, 5/10, $280,000

8 Salem Walk Lot 8, Hallstrom Karen J Est and Anderson, Elizabeth to Moyer, Paul J, 5/9, $275,000

14 Loomis St, Cable Allen E Est and Bonito, Frank to 14 Loomis LLC, 5/12, $312,500

44 Austin Rd, Carpenter Harry P Jr Est and Washburn-Gonzalez, J R to Marcel, Alan J, 5/12, $375,000

73 E Broadway Lot B, Ball Beatrice Est and Healey, Casey R to Strang, Ramona L, 5/10, $216,000

MONROE

21 Barton Rd, Dasilva, Erika M to Fernando, Kristine and Uy, Emil, 5/9, $532,000

30 Bob White Ter, Persico, Joseph and Persico, Gail to Palmer, Shawn and Palmer, Melissa, 5/10, $445,000

72 Bart Rd, Hoyt, Allan J and Hoyt, Cheryl A to Halezhyn, Andriy, 5/11, $446,000

361 Elm St, Westlund, Jerry to Petrona Realty LLC, 5/11, $379,000

363 Elm St, Westlund, Jerry to Petrona Realty LLC, 5/11, $379,000

404 Elm St, Linda Sherwood T and Bowerman, Colleen to Viglione, Joseph and Stoica, Theodore, 5/11, $75,000

404 Elm St, Sherwood Daniel Est and Bowerman, Colleen to Viglione, Joseph and Stoica, Theodore, 5/11, $75,000

MONTVILLE

Oakdale Palmerton Rd, Morosky, James E to Maclellan, Joshua, 5/13, $144,500

2 Rebecca Ct, Davila, Abraham and Pocheptsova, Mariia to Renzi, Michael A and Renzi, Marie, 5/10, $425,000

16 Laurel Dr, Champagne, Kyle C to Champagne, Dana M, 5/11, $270,000

20 Laurel Dr, Furnia Judith M Est and Gaedt, Jane B to Valley, Alice and Kelley, Patrick O, 5/12, $285,000

33 Lenas Rd, Hunt, Lance W and Hunt, Kathlene M to Unique Property Group LLC, 5/9, $125,000

45 Vartellas Dr, Stanley, Justin M and Rygielski, Katherine A to Scovish, Zachary J and Scovish, Courtney A, 5/13, $320,000

59 Massachusetts Rd, Lundy, Douglas and Lundy, Stephanie R to Dunn, Andrew, 5/13, $265,000

79 Leitao Dr, Calevro Dolores M Est and Lightner, Cynthia L to Ansay, Tristan N, 5/13, $240,000

94 Connecticut Blvd, Doss, Ashley to King, Rodmon C and Berry, Sarah L, 5/10, $350,500

189 Doyle Rd, Handler, Preston to Maurice, Arthur and Maurice, Joy G, 5/9, $750,000

189 Route 163, Nichols, Joshua G to Cutting, Wayne G, 5/10, $240,000

NAUGATUCK

Allerton Rd, Cizeski, Lori and Pruchnicki, Richard M to Longo, Ronald and Longo, Jessica, 5/6, $260,000

Ests Horton Hill Rd, Guardiano, Angela M and Lausier, Sharon to Harris, Michael J and Harris, Alyssa K, 5/11, $415,000

Jones Rd, Cizeski, Lori and Pruchnicki, Richard M to Longo, Ronald and Longo, Jessica, 5/6, $260,000

22 Curtiss St, US Bank NA Tr to Riffas, Ann E and Mahoney, Leslie, 5/10, $142,682

31 Jason Ct, Guardiano, Angela M and Lausier, Sharon to Harris, Michael J and Harris, Alyssa K, 5/11, $415,000

87 Barn Finch Cir Lot 87, Vantine, Gail A to Dias, Michele A, 5/6, $180,000

128 Beacon Manor Rd, RZ Enterprises LLC to Riccio, Michael J and Riccio, Virginia F, 5/10, $245,000

204 E Waterbury Rd, Levesque, Peter A and Levesque, Debra L to Vallejo, Marianita, 5/11, $275,000

220 Crestwood Dr, Conley, Elisabeth and Conley, Rachel to Digiulio, Matthew and Digiulio, Arianna, 5/9, $315,000

375 Rubber Ave, 423 Rubber Avenue LLC to Winding Brook LLC, 5/11, $340,000

381 Rubber Ave, 423 Rubber Avenue LLC to Winding Brook LLC, 5/11, $340,000

701 Beacon Valley Rd Lot 13, Laskowski Joseph J Est and Lombardi, Diane to Faryna, Maryana and Faryna, Taras, 5/9, $90,000

NEW BRITAIN

Central Park Plz, Tralbani LLC to Lopes, Richard P, 5/11, $50,000

23 Skylark Ct, Gordon, Charlene to Panek, Piotr S and Panek, Edyta A, 5/10, $235,000

38 Wilson St, JMEG Properties LLC to Zajgarten, Samuel and Spalter, Tzipa F, 5/11, $284,900

45 Milton St, Lysik, Ludwig to Sanchez, Jasmine and Melendez-Sanchez, Isaac, 5/10, $96,000

45 Milton St, Gmeindl, Ursula to Sanchez, Jasmine and Melendez-Sanchez, Isaac, 5/10, $96,000

74 Upton St, Martinaj Group Invs LLC to Upton 86 NBCT LLC, 5/10, $2,380,000

80 Upton St, Martinaj Group Invs LLC to Upton 86 NBCT LLC, 5/10, $2,380,000

81 Pennsylvania Ave, Freyberg, Christopher to Chambers, Alanna, 5/9, $270,000

86 Upton St, Martinaj Group Invs LLC to Upton 86 NBCT LLC, 5/10, $2,380,000

90 Bassett St, Jennifer Investments LLC to Camacho Jr, Benjamin, 5/9, $280,000

116 Belden St, Manson, Herbert to Edelstein, Joseph P, 5/4, $270,000

126 Biruta St Lot D1, Popielarczyk, Marta and Kowalczyk, Dariusz to Lopes, Richard P, 5/11, $89,900

126 Biruta St Lot G3, Pardo-Figueroa, Ronny to Matias-Mangual, Noel A, 5/11, $67,000

156 W Main St, Gudewicz, Jan to Grodzicki, Kris, 5/3, $22,500

253 Allen St, 255 Allen St Assoc LLC to Allen Estates LLC, 5/5, $729,000

296 Bingham St, Trapszo, Kasia A and Trapszo, Jaroslaw M to Noriega, Yahaira, 5/9, $225,000

301 Tremont St, Steam Associates LLC to Allen Estates LLC, 5/5, $486,000

2106 Corbin Ave, Nguyen, Hong N to Syammorn, Khanthalee, 5/4, $226,000

NEW CANAAN

72 Heritage Hill Rd Lot A, Rafa, Terri L to Schiralli, Andrea, 4/27, $405,000

81 Locust Ave Lot 325, Khilnani, Jogita G to Klein, Jennifer, 4/28, $350,000

175 Adams Ln, Diaz, Luis A and Diaz, Caitlin to Spivak, Aaron T and Sheng, Yuchen, 4/28, $2,750,000

NEW FAIRFIELD

Candlewood Knolls Rd, Schmidt, Carola to Marinello, James and Marinello, Christine, 5/10, $395,000

3 Meadow Ridge Dr, Racanelli, Vito and Racanelli, Mary to Marinello, James and Mazzotta, Jeanne M, 5/10, $1,225,000

6 Cand Isle Cswy, First Black Ink LLC to JTB Realty Advisors LLC, 5/9, $1,000,000

10 Shortwoods Rd, Broderick, Gregory C and Broderick, Megan L to J Kingsley T and Kingsley, Laura J, 5/11, $755,000

55 Candle Hill Rd, Benas, Angelo to Onyx Real Estate LLC, 5/13, $35,000

103 Stoney Way Lot 103, Backert Dolores D Est and Hess, Karen A to Antonino Verga T and Verga, Antonino, 5/9, $300,300

302 State Route 39, Solimene, Christopher M to Alma Homes LLC, 5/12, $265,000

NEW HARTFORD

7 Church St, Alfano Group LLC to Masters Com Cap Group Inc, 5/9, $270,000

107 Ramstein Rd, Solgovic 3rd, Andrew J to Dombrauskas, James W and Dombrauskas, Lynn E, 5/13, $60,001

NEW HAVEN

Winthrop Ave, Bailey, Rhoda to Ep Home Buyers LLC, 5/11, $165,000

N/A Lot 25, Reda, Meagan to Evans, Elizabeth and Robbins, Charles J, 5/10, $110,000

8 N Bank St, Alonas, Eric J and Jung, Jeenah to Bentzy 4 DE LLC, 5/10, $369,500

9 Warren Pl, Evans, Joseph C to C&S Realty 2 LLC, 5/11, $252,500

15 Donna Dr Lot A1, Songur, Bayrum to Kuruca, Oguz, 5/10, $40,000

16 Market St, Herrera, Jacob to Bentzy 4 DE LLC, 5/13, $205,000

18 Shelter St, Quality 1 Development LLC to Bryan, Dorma, 5/10, $340,000

21 Lewis St, Mccarthy, Marianne to Rutkin, Samson, 5/10, $290,000

25 Florence Ave, Spaz Property LLC to P Cummings Roberts RET and Roberts, Priscilla, 5/12, $320,000

29 Temple Ct Lot 29, David H Lamoreaux RET and Lamoreaux, Naomi R to Sharifi, Mahnoosh and Yaesoubi, Reza, 5/10, $835,000

34 Hilltop Rd, Dix-Cote, Patricia A to Hardy, Stephen B, 5/10, $245,000

35 Pine Rock Rd, Wright, Juanita to Wevers, Kara L, 5/9, $300,000

45 Donna Dr Lot C7, Songur, Bayrum to Kuruca, Oguz, 5/10, $40,000

50 Vista Ter, Cromer, Clay and Cromer, Callie J to Morrell, Meghan and Hoffman, Doris, 5/10, $500,000

51 Trumbull St, Area Coop Educational to Friends Of John Slade Ely, 5/13, $800,000

53 Farren Ave, Gesler, J Davis to Climax New Haven LLC, 5/10, $550,000

71 Lenox St, Procare Property Mgmt LLC to Sansivero, Nicolas, 5/11, $275,000

73 Melrose Dr, Flynn, Steven to Howard, Meagan, 5/9, $250,000

99 Myron St, Thompson Jr, Michaeb to Wall, Jacob, 5/10, $280,000

119 Hobart St, Saint Lewis, Michael to Change-Corde, Stephanie and Corde, Sebastien D, 5/9, $380,000

155 Elm St, Graduate Club Assn to Graduate Club Preserv T, 5/13, $654,300

168 Lloyd St, HMD CT LLC to Wray, Delon and Wray, Gina D, 5/11, $400,000

182 Pine St, Briones, Carlos and Vidals, Filadelfa to Nelson, Uzziah, 5/12, $180,000

184 Pine St, Briones, Carlos and Vidals, Filadelfa to Nelson, Uzziah, 5/12, $180,000

308 Dixwell Ave, Marks, Betty to Kingdom Center Inc, 5/13, $350,000

310 Poplar St, Martinez Investments Inc to Doxy, Keisha and Morgan Jr, York E, 5/13, $290,000

548 Orange St Lot 401, Pierot, Agathe to Eisenbach, Bryant, 5/13, $344,000

651 Woodward Ave, Opuszynski, Carol to Boyle, Lisa L, 5/11, $305,000

844 Quinnipiac Ave, D&S Realty LLC to Diaz, Ramon, 5/9, $480,000

890 Elm St, Hastings, Danielle and Otto, Jason to Taylor, Melissa A, 5/10, $403,500

2116 Chapel St, Susman, Marjorie J to Johnston, Matthew and Trebelcock, William L, 5/11, $445,000

NEW LONDON

Sander St, Flanagan, Denean to Flanagan Jr, Edward T, 5/13, $150,000

14 Cleveland St, Hinners, Annette M and Hinners, Richard C to Broad Street Const LLC, 5/9, $250,000

72 Willetts Ave, Diaz, Emanuel and Diaz, Loyda to Almanzar, Luis F, 5/12, $235,000

73 Blackhall St, General, Gevaisa I and Midfirst Bank to Brito, Juan I, 5/13, $111,700

100 Pequot Ave Lot 3506, 24 Channing Street LLC to Dacosta, Daniel, 5/10, $12,000

123 Bank St, 123 BJY LLC to 123 Bank Street LLC, 5/13, $960,000

165 Bank St, Hinners, Annette M and Hinners, Richard C to East Corbin Holdings LLC, 5/9, $350,000

167 Bank St, Hinners, Annette M and Hinners, Richard C to East Corbin Holdings LLC, 5/9, $350,000

188 Shaw St, Melendez, Cruz S to Langlois, Suzanne I and Langlois, Matthew J, 5/12, $130,000

193 Broad St, Hinners, Annette M and Hinners, Richard C to Broad Street Const LLC, 5/9, $250,000

280 Gardner Ave Lot C5, Barber, Jeannine to Bielinski, Christiana M, 5/10, $105,000

330 Crystal Ave Lot 16, Crystal Hill LLC to Ogg, Anderson, 5/11, $290,000

330 Crystal Ave Lot 7, Crystal Hill LLC to Lee, Philip T, 5/11, $280,000

852 Bank St, Cabibbo, Claudio and Cabibbo, Phyllis K to Blau, Chaim and Blau, Chaya, 5/9, $464,900

NEW MILFORD

4 Russet Ln, Samol, Michael A and Samol, Lauren V to Stephenson, Andrea, 5/9, $455,000

10 Gatehouse Rd, Lillis, David C and Lillis, Donna J to Zail, Howard and Zail, Sophia, 5/9, $950,000

15 Dairy Hill Rd, Hollyoak, Eric and Hollyoak, Dorothy to Bergman, David and Bergman, Deepa, 5/10, $540,000

15 Hillendale Dr, Leonard Kevin P Est and Leonard, Michael to Casaos, Laura B and Casaos, Juan C, 5/12, $260,000

52 Overlook Dr, Patterson, Scott A to Ritchotte, Courtney M and Ciraolo 2nd, Joseph F, 5/12, $414,000

118 Beard Dr Lot 118, Umbarger, Todd J and Crossen, Katherine A to SK Design LLC, 5/12, $220,000

123 Littlefield Rd, Charles R Reimer T and Reimer, Charles R to Hutchings, Manette, 5/12, $260,000

123 Willow Spgs Lot 123, Bellenot, Steven to Cheng, Fifi and Varian, Christopher A, 5/11, $223,888

162 Taylor Rd, Bennett, John C to Mcgough, Cara A and Mcgough, William, 5/9, $390,000

NEWINGTON

14 Ancient Hwy, Gadd Carol P Est and Demers, Frances G to Rupan, Tavish and Rupan, Urmila, 5/9, $300,000

23 Coolidge Ave, Lundeen Rita M Est and Lundeen, David G to Mackinnon, Maryellen, 5/6, $235,010

45 Pebble Dr, Cirunay, Marichelle and Cirunay, Joseph to Aquije, Virginia, 5/11, $300,000

47 Robbins Ave, Eliasof, Alex M to Zino, Lauren and Roy, Amanda, 5/9, $247,600

50 Sunset Rd, Osgood, Nancy J and Sarubbi, Felix J to Soto, Miguel L, 5/11, $270,000

57 Lydall Rd, Dumeer Children T and Francolino, Eileen D to Walsh, Megan J, 5/11, $249,000

57 Steeplechase Dr Lot 57, Pidgeon, Matthew to Warren 3rd, Thomas L, 5/6, $253,000

62 Ashland Ave, Dombrowski, Stella J to Rivera, Joshua L and Rivera, Matthew J, 5/13, $270,062

76 Southwood Rd, Arbour Roger Est and Panek, Marian to Zaman, Seweryn, 5/6, $250,000

110 Day St, Martin&Martin LLC to 110 Day Street LLC, 5/5, $225,000

122 Cypress Rd Lot 122, Weintraub, Kimberly S to Galindo, Ildefonso and Munoz, Rosa, 5/11, $185,000

160 Cedar Ridge Rd, Chaplin, Kenan and Chaplin, Aloki to Reyes, Jeremy and Fuller, Stacy L, 5/6, $284,000

164 Marlborough St, Hudson, Susan C to Swicklas, Bethany, 5/13, $215,000

187 Richard St, Pentanovitch, Johanna Z to Tata, Francesco, 5/12, $260,000

769 N Mountain Rd, Richard Cardillo Sr RET and Cardillo, Richard to Pace, Concezio, 5/6, $400,000

NEWTOWN

High Bridge Rd, Moutinho, Manuel T to Robert Mastroni Const LLC, 5/13, $250,000

Palestine Rd, Fitzsimmons, Mary J to ZF SPV LLC, 5/9, $325,000

W Plains Rd, Dietter Thoeodore F Est and Dietter, John D to Dietter, John and Dietter, James, 5/6, $325,000

N/A, Smith, George H to Popovic, Vladimir and Graef, Adriane H, 5/12, $135,000

4 Melody Ln, Thompson Patricia M Est and Thompson, Christopher to Spezzano, Mark A and Bent-Spezzano, Candice W, 5/12, $370,000

5 Pheasant Ridge Rd, Mckail, Jonathan P and Mckail, Laura W to Rizzo, Laura and Rizzo, Michael, 5/13, $952,000

11 Overlook Knoll Rd, Errico, Stacey to Bates, Mallory and Kopposki, Richard, 5/9, $325,000

13 Sebastian Trl, Vona, Gino to Caruso, Nicholas, 5/10, $252,000

15 Deerfield Dr, Simpson, James G and Simpson, Diane M to Kokkoros, Daniel P and Kokkoros, Alexa, 5/10, $620,000

16 Borough Ln, Amaral, Daniel J to Ferris Properties LLC, 5/13, $530,000

18 Fern Ln, Smith, Kevin M to Delgado-Mendez, Nemorio, 5/12, $301,500

24 Old Hawleyville Rd, GRC Construction LLC to Saunders, Erin and Saunders, Judith, 5/13, $759,500

24 Pecks Ln, Kling Enterprises LLC to 24 Pecks Lane LLC, 5/11, $350,000

30 Huntingtown Rd, Pierce, Sharon to Sanchez-Caro, Wilson A and Cambizaca, America I, 5/11, $376,000

35 S Main St, Amaral, Daniel J to Ferris Properties LLC, 5/13, $530,000

46 Eden Hill Rd, Vona, Nicola to Corbo Associates Inc, 5/13, $275,000

47 Jo Al Ct Lot 47, Ruth Wolinsky RET and Wolinsky, Daniel to Patricia L Novella RET and Novella, Stephen P, 5/6, $499,000

NORTH BRANFORD

5 Arthur Ct, Fletcher, Brian P and Fletcher, Kayla to Sullivan, John M, 5/9, $361,000

1789 Foxon Rd Lot 2C, Murphy, Frances M to Dulong, James R, 5/13, $150,000

NORTH CANAAN

Root Hill Rd, Mccunn, David S to Mccunn, Douglas A, 5/9, $120,000

201 E Canaan Rd, HB1 Alternative Hldg LLC to 32 Railroad LLC, 5/10, $233,000

NORTH HAVEN

5 Crestview Dr, Oliver, Michael K and Oliver, Aileen J to Scott, Lisa D and Scott, Andrew M, 5/9, $566,000

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

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ROCKY HILL

21-A Evans Rd, DM Enterprises 2 LLC and Mazzamurro, David to 5 Star Landscaping LLC, 5/12, $265,000

26 Foxbriar Ln Lot 26, Sylvester, Catherine M and Hamilton, Phoebe A to Grafe, Peter W and Graff, Maria A, 5/13, $475,000

32 Copper Beech Dr Lot 32, Scudder Sheryl Est and Colagiovanni, Lisa M to Garlapati, Venkata J and Garlapati, Naga M, 5/12, $178,250

145 North Rd, Chudzik, Joann and Chudzik, Addie to Budonaro, Andre, 5/9, $170,000

253 Pheasant Dr, Jorge, Eric to Durao, David and Durao, Donna, 5/10, $390,000

ROXBURY

82 Garnet Rd, Andrews, Mark and Denoodt, Anne to Gray, Steven J and Gray, Amy, 5/11, $665,000

SALEM

128 Buckley Rd, Paine, Matthew D to Ungvary, James M, 5/11, $350,000

SALISBURY

54 Indian Cave Rd, Sherwood-Alexander, M to Colleen Ventimilia LT and Ventimilia, Colleen, 5/12, $625,000

388 Between The Lakes Rd, 400 BLTR LLC to Twin Lakes Corner LLC, 5/12, $610,000

400 Between The Lakes Rd, 400 BLTR LLC to Twin Lakes Corner LLC, 5/12, $610,000

SEYMOUR

3 Rocky Glen St, Murtishi, Zaim to Lipka, Alyson R and Lipka, Christopher S, 5/13, $312,000

16 Smith Haven Dr, Goggins, Cheryl L to Krivensky, Diana R, 5/12, $425,000

26 Spring St, Stokes, Barbara S to Enge, Valerie, 5/12, $266,000

107 West St, Grele, Gretchen R to Robinson, Sean A and Walker, Norma P, 5/11, $175,000

SHARON

70 Gay St, Billingsley, Boyce A to Molina, Fernando and Valdez, Maria, 5/12, $250,000

SHELTON

Birmingham On The Riv Lot 10, Jonason, Christopher to Cartus Financial Corp, 5/11, $255,000

20 Shagbark Rd, Chickos, John J to Eye, Charles P, 5/12, $327,000

27 Laurel St, Tiffen, Craig T and Zade, Melanie to ZF SPV LLC, 5/13, $335,000

28 Tuxedo Ave, Drago, Marianne to Estrada, Cristina, 5/13, $400,000

29 Matilda Ln, Tanushi, Nikolla to Wadhams, Brent, 5/9, $545,000

38 10 Coat Ln, Kostandini, Redi to Altobelli, Anthony S, 5/10, $465,000

81 Heather Rdg Lot 81, Forte, Francis L to Swain, Sara, 5/13, $189,900

98 Village Dr, Weiss, Neil D and Weiss, Tricia A to Schoenfeld, Thomas and Schoenfeld, Nancy, 5/12, $605,000

145 Canal St Lot 102, Cartus Financial Corp to Pellicano, Lynn, 5/11, $255,000

220 Beardsley Rd, Goncalves, Antonio and Goncalves, Berta to Repollet, Joaquin D and Repollet, Kimberly A, 5/10, $760,000

289 Eagles Lndg Lot 289, Kurtz Barbara F Est and Kurtz, Michael J to Rosa, Karen W and Cook, Austin, 5/10, $410,000

757 Long Hill Ave, Tricarico, Geraldine A to Home 2 LLC, 5/13, $597,579

SIMSBURY

5 Stonehenge Dr, Grafton, Donald L to Walsh, Alyson and Donelan, Jill M, 5/10, $550,000

15 Tanager Cir Lot 15, Donelan, Jill M to Cabel, Jose A, 5/11, $210,000

15 Teal Cir Lot 15, US Bank NA Tr to Goldsher, Allen, 5/9, $140,000

35 Ichabod Rd, Knake, Scott L and Knake, Paula A to Corr, Aaron M and Corr, Amber L, 5/10, $470,000

SOMERS

5 Mulberry Ln, Schechterle, Melissa M to Giassullo, Nicholas G and Dixon, Gabriella I, 5/9, $575,000

34 Schneider Rd, Weiss, Jonathan to Merritt, Ryan and Merritt, Jenny, 5/10, $595,000

48 Pine Knob Rd, Mellberg, Robert E to Munson, Anne, 5/10, $301,100

70 Michele Dr, Parlapiano, Justin M and Parlapiano, Stephanie to Tran, Aj L and Tran, Carey M, 5/9, $375,000

SOUTH WINDSOR

Ridgefield Dr, Grothe, Mark W and Grothe, Marcia M to Tarrats, Javier E and Dufresne, Danielle, 5/9, $490,000

17 Pam Ln, Schwalbendorf, Dennis T to Sargenti, Anthony F, 5/10, $315,000

19 Stevens Rd, Scola, Leah to Simpson, Travis and Simpson, Kelly, 5/5, $714,000

24 Amato Dr Lot E, Sargenti, Anthony F to Burnham, Virginia, 5/9, $131,500

64 Davewell Rd, Wittig, David J to Concepcion, Julio and Concepcion, Gladys, 5/10, $296,500

66 Cinnamon Spgs Lot 66, Salerno, Sarah E to Uddanti, Subba R and Darisha, Sudheer K, 5/11, $136,000

69 Foster Rd, Ruiz, Diego A and Cruz, Sara S to Alleva, Paul G and Dinonno, April B, 5/9, $353,333

110 Misty Meadow Ln Lot 110, Gunn, Jason R to Barlow, Malika, 5/11, $135,000

139 Hilton Dr, Reed, Bradley H and Kiro-Reed, Kristin N to Cappadora, Amy L and Cappadora, Sallie L, 5/9, $310,000

199 Main St, Besheret LLC to Mazolu Animal Sanctuary, 5/5, $34,500

581 Strong Rd, Sazinski, John J to Denfeld, Deborah and Denfeld, Karl C, 5/6, $20,000

610 Niederwerfer Rd, Cooksley, Cynthia A and Cooksley, David C to Jordan, Ann and Jordan, Randy, 5/11, $865,000

702 Pleasant Valley Rd Lot 702, Sheenwari, Zabi U to Savage-Flippen, Katie, 5/9, $95,000

964 Pleasant Valley Rd Lot 964, Murphy, Lori J to Farmer, Jacqueline A, 5/9, $240,000

1305 Twin Circle Dr Lot 1305, Ditman, Alvin Z and Ditman, Eden C to Gupta, Deepti and Gupta, Jitendra K, 5/12, $161,000

2304 Ellington Rd, Barry, Geoffrey and Barry, Michele to Pollack, Jason S and Pollack, Bernadette M, 5/6, $340,000

2510 Mill Pond Dr Lot 2510, Bui, Jeffrey T and Van-Slyke, Hoa N to Lagrange, Brandon and Lagrange, Rebecca A, 5/10, $321,000

2806 Mill Pond Dr Lot 2806, Lopez, Andres M to Theurer, Kari L, 5/10, $296,000

SOUTHBURY

33 Old Field Hill Rd Lot 7, Mcmanus, Michael F and Mcmanus, Joan D to Krisko, Mark and Reardon, Patricia, 5/9, $377,500

33 Old Field Hill Rd Lot 32, Dombrowski, Reeta to Moriarty, James M and Moriarty, Kristy L, 5/10, $474,000

93 Heritage Vlg Lot D, Lanza, Robert and Lanza, Barbara to Lorusso FT and Boyne, Laura A, 5/10, $215,000

94 Georges Hill Rd, Rilling, Irma to West, Beth, 5/12, $350,000

185 Heritage Vlg Lot B, Pagano, Jeffrey G and Pagano, Dawn E to Ambrosini, Donna G, 5/13, $348,000

445 Tepi Dr, Cram, Michael to Washay, Audra, 5/10, $530,000

778 Heritage Vlg Lot A, Sargent, Thomas A to Michael Malm RET and Malm, Michael, 5/9, $305,000

877 Jacob Rd, G R Matusovich CT T and Matusovich, Holly M to Bennett, Nathaniel and White, Jada, 5/10, $395,000

935 Georges Hill Rd, Kecko, Mark and Mcmahon, Kathleen E to Lawson, Daniel K and Lawson, Margaret, 5/10, $550,000

1008 Peter Rd, Cabrero, Tamera and Kaponyas, Stephen J to Murray, Jamie and Murray, Heather, 5/10, $390,000

1468 Bucks Hill Rd, Geoffrey C Greenwood RET and Greenwood, Gregory W to 1468 Bucks Hill Road LLC, 5/9, $397,000

SOUTHINGTON

5 Parkview Dr, Chabot, Natalie L to Smit, Ryan and Hansen, Chloe, 5/10, $260,000

11 Knowles Ave, Larson, Susan U and Urillo, Anthony J to Polish Falcons Nest 307, 5/9, $75,000

11 Mariani Dr, Mariani Construction LLC to Kilduff, Michael and Kilduff, Lisa, 5/10, $649,900

16 Salem Way, Romano, Peter D to Reindel, Kristopher J and Peterson, Jordan, 5/6, $358,000

17 Darling St Lot A, Chuchro, Damian to Ma, Yewen, 5/5, $170,000

34 Wilbur St, Nautilus Investments Inc to Williamson, Krystle, 5/9, $259,971

36 Zwicks Farm Rd, Dechello Contractors LLC to Chaudary, Areef S, 5/6, $287,500

41 Winter Park Rd, Bonici, Jean to Caron, Daniel R and Caron, Tatiana Y, 5/6, $311,000

50 Annelise Ave, Podsiad, Michael J and Podsiad, Katharine J to Demarco, James M and Demarco, Valerie A, 5/10, $435,000

67 Little Fawn Rd, Waskowicz, Donald R and Waskowicz, Ferne M to EK RE Fund 1 LLC, 5/9, $276,000

79 Mark Dr Lot 79, Rich-Zakreta, Angel L to Koppel, Charles E and Rastetter, Rebecca C, 5/10, $380,000

83 Muir Ter, Koczon, Debra J to Truver, Alfred R, 5/9, $399,000

451 Andrews St, Susan M Hart LT and Uricchio, Katherine to 451 Andrews Streets LLC, 5/9, $375,000

927 Shuttle Meadow Rd, Desell Family LLC to Carrier Group Inc, 5/9, $625,000

935 Shuttle Meadow Rd, Desell Family LLC to Carrier Group Inc, 5/9, $625,000

951 Shuttle Meadow Rd, Desell Family LLC to Carrier Group Inc, 5/9, $625,000

2118 Meriden Waterbury Tpke Lot 23, Albini, Christopher to Parafati, Christian F and Calo, Rachele M, 5/10, $295,000

SPRAGUE

153-159 High St, Giusto, Richard A to Mackiewicz, John, 5/12, $265,000

STAFFORD

7 Hicks Ave, Ferris, Joshua C to Bedus, Joseph, 5/9, $280,500

33 East St, Muszynski, Jonathan to Marin, April M, 5/9, $245,000

93 Tolland Ave, Syrek, David M to Thunberg, Caitlin, 5/9, $235,000

STAMFORD

N/A, FNMA to Sirko, Russell and Cifone, Tiffany, 5/11, $647,000

1 Strawberry Hill Ave Lot 1B, Jeremiah Mclellan Jr RET and True, Richard L to Borja, Mauricio A, 5/11, $330,000

1 Strawberry Hill Ct Lot 11J, Blizzard, Ellin T to Troilo, Nicholas, 5/13, $238,000

1 Valley Rd Lot 109, Katz, Mark F and Escudero, Shirley to Jarrett, Doreen, 5/10, $230,000

13 W Washington Ave Lot 14, Gallegos, Steven D to Szilagyi, Ember, 5/10, $190,000

14 Church St, Boccuzzi FT and Boccuzzi Jr, Edmund R to Munoz, Fabio and Gomez, Elizabeth, 5/10, $680,000

19 Stillwater Ave Lot E, Verma, Sweta to Corte, Pablo R, 5/13, $479,000

21 Congress St, Moran, Julio and Moran, Luz C to Lloyd-Coard, Natalie, 5/9, $545,000

27 Northill St Lot 2B, Suttile, Sandra to Suttile, Mark K, 5/12, $160,000

27 Northill St Lot 2A, Pia, Jaclyn to Pataro, Mary E, 5/10, $155,555

27 Northill St Lot 6Y, Pollack, Leonard to Jaramillo, Jacquelyn and Jaramillo, Victor, 5/12, $293,000

28 E Walnut St, Ambrosecchio, Michael and Nieto, Renee to 28 East Walnut St LLC, 5/12, $632,666

28 E Walnut St, Albert N Ambrosecchio RET and Ambrosecchio, Michael to 28 East Walnut St LLC, 5/12, $316,334

28 Laurel Ledge Ct, Zhou, Joseph Q and Ding, Lillian Y to White, Melanie and Miller, Jonathan, 5/10, $655,000

34 Douglas Ave, Smith, Alfred to Jgemd LLC, 5/11, $402,000

34 Heather Dr, Moore, Binh to Mccullough, Matthew T and Mccullough, Tanja M, 5/10, $975,000

39 Sagamore Rd, Mcmanus, John J and Mcmanus, Cooper M to Dolan, Michael T and Dolan, Clare P, 5/13, $975,000

47 Larkin St Lot 7, Linda&Marcs LLC to Nickel Back Rede Ctr, 5/9, $400,000

47 Sherwood Rd, Stone, Scott and Colvin, Lindsay to Denofa, Angelique and Moulton, Ronald T, 5/10, $820,000

48 Waterview Way Lot 48, Jed, Jerry and Jed, Laurie to Mehta, Raj and Mehta, Kemilla, 5/9, $1,425,000

49 Dann Dr, Visconti, Louis A and Visconti, Patricia A to Deleo, Steven and Carpiniello, Danielle, 5/11, $678,000

49 Glenbrook Rd Lot 209, Laryea-Adjei, George and Laryea-Adjei, Nana A to Magdsick, Karl, 5/11, $355,000

51 Schuyler Ave Lot 6A, Samnani, Arif and Walani, Salimah to Vinci, Steven, 5/9, $245,000

54 W North St Lot 514, Gordon, Nelson R to Tinnell, Michael, 5/12, $245,000

59 Merriman Rd, Josephine M Socci RET and Socci, Josephine M to Bergman, Hilary and Heller, Michael, 5/12, $910,000

61 Oaklawn Ave, Scala, Joseph P and Scala, Alyssa B to Cook, James and Minehardt, Jennifer, 5/11, $712,000

65 Davenport Farm Ln E, Joseph J Mcaleer RET and Mcaleer, Andrew A to Hoffman, Matthew T and Hoffman, Robin G, 5/11, $1,275,000

66 Old Barn Rd S, Cunningham, Eric A and Cunningham, Susan C to Bertino, Edward P, 5/11, $440,000

68 Palmer St, Walker, John E to Barney, Ryan and Kelly, Brittany, 5/9, $645,000

70 Dale St, Ajax 2021 C REO Corp to Islam, Mohammed N and Nessa, Kamrun, 5/9, $367,346

71 Strawberry Hill Ave Lot 802, Sharif, Manzoor and Khan, Afreen to Ryan, Mary R, 5/10, $249,000

73 Courtland Ave Lot 160, Sperry, Palmer to King, Cody, 5/9, $310,000

79 Trinity Pass, Murray, Barbara L to Stone, Lindsay C and Stone, Scott W, 5/12, $975,000

91 W Broad St Lot 9, Sorensen, Paul-Erik to Goto, Lina and Laizure-Metz, Christopher, 5/12, $700,000

94 Red Fox Rd, Ferraro, Carmelina to Romeo, Luisa and Romeo, Andrew, 5/11, $437,500

94 Southfield Ave Lot L2, Licitra, Anthony and Licitra, Shanna to Getzelman, Louis and Getzelman, Diane, 5/13, $615,000

96 Woodbury Ave, Bilionis, Greg to Pacheco, Justin, 5/13, $650,000

98 Southfield Ave Lot P2, Rajeski, Tyler M to Rheault, Wendy, 5/9, $770,000

100 Riverbank Dr, Fitzgerald, Barry to Harrington, Patrick J and Regan, Erin A, 5/12, $959,000

101 Grove St Lot 4, Bailey Inv Group LLC to Perekhodko, Anatolii and Perekhodko, Hanna, 5/9, $435,000

102 Crystal St, Crystal 102 Property LLC to Vilajeti, Darion, 5/13, $620,000

106 Strawberry Hill Ave Lot 4, Luzzi, Michael to Silva, Cristiane, 5/10, $231,000

125 Prospect St Lot 5F, 125 Prospect LLC to Heneghan, Carly and Collura, Erica, 5/9, $305,000

131 Sylvan Knoll Rd, Sinapi, Paul and Sinapi, Stacey to Lopez, Denny, 5/10, $242,000

137 Hunting Ridge Rd, Batton, George and Batton, Christina to Freidman, Adam and Freidman, Sasha, 5/12, $770,000

147 Slice Dr, Heller, Fred J and Heller, Frederick J to Song, Ryan and Song, Roselynn, 5/9, $730,000

154 Cold Spring Rd Lot 46, Robertson, Robert and Klipstein, Sandra to Ugalde-Orias, Carol M, 5/10, $320,000

170 Forest St Lot 2, Sackett, Richard W and Sackett, Joann to Murawska-Debowska, Edyta and Debowski, Daniel, 5/9, $250,000

189 W Broad St, Huang, Yu Q to Preldakaj, Vere and Redzaj, Zef, 5/11, $590,000

202 Highview Ave Lot 5, Guh, Stephen to Taylor, Fiona, 5/11, $365,000

209 Courtland Ave, Flanagan, Olympia to Mandik, Jaroslav, 5/9, $700,000

220 Butternut Ln, Sucsy, Joshua to Gemmellaro, Kathryn, 5/9, $795,000

225 Blackberry Dr, Sorial, Ehab Z to Cohen, Kenneth and Cohen, Rhonda, 5/9, $950,000

355 Cascade Rd, Bernstein Sarey Est and Niedober, Irwin to Cohen, Joshua D and Cohen, Mimma G, 5/11, $750,000

444 Bedford St Lot 1R, Chan, Sai and Chiu, Simon to Lodebole, Brian, 5/13, $270,000

444 Bedford St Lot 1M, Catherine Longo LT and Legierse, Lori L to Nargi, Anthony, 5/9, $172,000

STONINGTON

Ash St, 3 Ash Street LLC to Smith, Melinda, 5/13, $800,000

Ash St, 3 Ash Street LLC to Smith, Christopher F, 5/13, $145,000

4 Broadway Ave Ext, Murphy Point Realty LLC to Broadway Betterment LLC, 5/9, $775,000

13 N Stonington Rd, Dwyer, Leslie A to Moak, Daniel S, 5/10, $425,000

STRATFORD

Harbour View Pl, Speer, Richard and Speer, Marilyn to Baker, Nancy A, 5/9, $22,500

Mckinley Ave, Rivera, Lucia and Caban, Angela L to Salas, Yoko E and Garcia, Xochitl L, 5/10, $367,000

Woodlawn Ave, Hatibi Remzije Est and Hatibi, Adhurim to Wright, Denise, 5/11, $350,000

27 Priscilla Ln, Madrid, Miguel A to Pereira, Jonathan, 5/11, $184,000

35 E Gate Ln, Mazzey James G Sr Est and Mazzey, Ronald J to Pilco, Jose, 5/13, $320,000

35 Margherita Lawn, Blasius Jr, Frederick W to Blasius, Margaret M, 5/9, $950,000

35 Springdale Ave, Cronk, Frances A to Quinones, Karen R and Guzman, Jorge A, 5/12, $380,000

36 Algonquin Ln Lot B, Davis, Sandra A and Oronoque Vlg Condo Assn to Rosenberg, Stuart, 5/12, $183,000

55 Middlebrook Rd, Yiannoulis, Aristofanis to Barrett, James and Barrett, Dawn, 5/9, $455,000

60 Lombard Rd, Wignall Frances V Est and Inzerra, Lorraine to Phillips, Sean and Phillips, Samantha D, 5/11, $441,000

70 Wood Ave, Bova, Joseph V to Bonner, Alexis, 5/13, $430,000

100 Woodcrest Ave, Hatibi Remzije Est and Hatibi, Adhurim to Wright, Denise, 5/11, $350,000

115 Short Beach Rd Lot 201, Holt, Pamela to Holt, Mary, 5/10, $33,333

115 Short Beach Rd Lot 201, Amicucci, Laura to Holt, Mary, 5/10, $33,333

125 Warner Hill Rd Lot 141, Pochron, Valerie to Iverson, Justin, 5/10, $195,000

126 Barnum Ter, Aleman, Samantha D and Navarro Jr, Vincent to Rivera, Angela A and Rivera, Luis R, 5/13, $470,000

128 Barnum Ter, Aleman, Samantha D and Navarro Jr, Vincent to Rivera, Angela A and Rivera, Luis R, 5/13, $470,000

200 Clinton Ave, Carriger, Michael S to Farquharson, Kerry A, 5/11, $518,000

212 Taft St, FNMA to First Choice Prop Mgmt, 5/9, $235,100

222 Dewey St, Vizcaino, Salomon to Elomri, Hakim and Belayachi, Rachid, 5/12, $227,000

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234 South Trl Lot B, Hart, Melvin P to J W&Karen M Epstein LT and Martin, Kimberly L, 5/12, $350,000

238 4th Ave, Stratton, John E to Bass, Jillian K and Boss, Richard J, 5/13, $335,000

249 Parkway Dr, Capo Properties LLC to Jacobs, Benjamin S and Infahsaeng, Tida, 5/11, $390,000

266 Breakers Ln Lot 266, Ruscito, Anthony and Ruscito, Vicci to Blake, Terence G, 5/10, $415,000

282 1st Ave, Blumestein, David B and Blumstein, Patricia to Obrien, Maura, 5/12, $451,111

307 Hickory Woods Ln Lot 307, Wright, Heather to Piscitelli, Catherine, 5/9, $292,000

386 Soundview Ave, Common Good RE LLC to Cordova, Ivan, 5/10, $373,000

403 Hickory Woods Ln Lot 403, Wanas, Kathy A to Cinner, Joan, 5/11, $345,000

1106 North Ave, Vidal, Sergio and Vidal, Sandra to Solano, Jose J and Lovo, Wilfredo, 5/10, $380,000

3699 Broadbridge Ave Lot 203, Gainer Jr, Ronald J to Vir, Geeta, 5/13, $95,000

SUFFIELD

7 Maybury Rd Lot 7, Jan Anderson FT and Anderson, Tyler B to Anderson, William C, 5/13, $245,000

476 Copper Hill Rd, Chapman, Dana L to Cerri, Matthew R and Sheard, Hannah L, 5/9, $429,000

THOMASTON

24 Stevens Blvd Lot 24, Long Horizon Dev LLC to Talarico, Joanne, 5/6, $270,000

143 Pine Hill Rd Lot 21E, Hudak Andeen M Est and Lowell, Patricia H to Damelio, Michael A and Rubbo, Nicole E, 5/9, $120,000

THOMPSON

54 Klondike St, Houle Jr, Lawrence O and Houle, Beverly A to Namlock Grace Realty LLC, 5/12, $276,000

56 Plum Rd, Harkins, Stephanie L to Lotter, Curtis, 5/12, $340,000

433 Fabyan Rd, Vanderswaagh, Nathan and Vanderswaagh, Shannon to Hasemann, Brian, 5/12, $450,000

TOLLAND

27 Paula Joy Ln, Piorek, Corinne H and Piorek, Francis to Decarli, Nicholas C, 5/9, $330,000

192 Kate Ln, Trull, Robert to Somers, Jackson and Somers, Alexis, 5/12, $415,000

844 Shenipsit Lake Rd, Titan Const Ent LLC to Lobisser, Jaison and Lobisser, Danielle, 5/12, $510,000

TORRINGTON

28 Westview Ter, Arezzini, David P to Arezzini, Michael, 5/12, $93,900

29 Borough St, Tazzara, Mary to Schriver, Michael and Schriver, Amanda, 5/10, $275,000

42 Fowler Ave, Voltaire, Joyce to Myszczenko, John P, 5/13, $222,500

50 Brook St, Leifert, Lawrence A and Leifert, Elizabeth A to Leifert Automotive Machin, 5/10, $125,000

62 Hart Dr, Ruth M Reynolds RET and Reynolds, Ruth M to Palomba Sr, William R, 5/6, $40,000

67 High St, Goletz, David to Gunter, Ashley, 5/10, $166,000

83 Millard St, Schnyer, John J to Ship Secure LLC, 5/11, $100,000

88 Red Mountain Ave, Digalbo, Mark to Freed, Joshua D, 5/12, $190,000

127 Lexington Ave, Labella, Marguerite to Farina, Christine E, 5/10, $315,000

133 Norfolk Rd, Pisarski Jr, Steven M to Jucevics, Elizabeth I, 5/13, $139,000

140 Queens Rd Lot 140, Muckle Jr, Joseph A to Rose, Peter H, 5/6, $145,000

152 Nutmeg Dr, Egliskis, Stephen J and Egliskis, Amanda M to Sullivan, Timothy and Sullivan, Shannon, 5/9, $172,000

169 Hoffman St, Locust Properties LLC to Jadan, Jesus G and Borja, Digna, 5/9, $165,000

178 Park Ave, Johnson, Kent L to Perez, Sandra A, 5/9, $150,000

187 Lyman Dr, Maselli, Donna M to Bate, Anna, 5/13, $240,000

266 Newfield Rd, Snyder, Bruce C to Aston, Gordon V and Ricciardi, Filomena, 5/6, $217,500

364 Ledge Dr Lot 364, Kitay, Valerie and Spiegel, Joshua to Hottinger, Peter and Hottinger, Barrie, 5/11, $160,000

416 County Rd, US Bank NA Tr to Dickinson, Walter, 5/13, $126,000

475 Migeon Ave, C&A Construction LLC to 475 Migeon Ave LLC, 5/12, $243,500

505 Harwinton Ave Lot 17, Tapia, Bryan to Giampaolo, Charles, 5/6, $135,000

839 Main St Lot 42, Brick Monkey LLC to Patagonia Realty Co LLC, 5/9, $94,000

2291 Torringford West St, Arum, Edward and Arum, Alyce to Huynh, Nhan, 5/11, $275,000

TRUMBULL

4 Laurie Rd, Boyarsky, Nathan A and Boyarsky, Christine to Barrington, Brooke, 5/6, $805,000

9 Old Fire Rd, Kindl, Kenneth G and Kindl, Judith L to Crisci, Marley T and Crisci, Michael, 5/9, $671,250

26 N Green Acres Ln, Molloy, Michele L to Li, Borui and Yu, Xiaowei, 5/6, $810,000

39 Fairview Ave, Mccoy Kenneth L Est and Mccoy, Diana R to Devito, Peter and Devito, Megan, 5/9, $710,000

82 Fern Cir, Marciano, Joseph F and Marciano, Barbara J to Hunter, Kristina M and Hunter, Jeffrey G, 5/6, $849,000

88 Canoe Brook Rd, Puchalski, Elzbieta to Ulich, Ronald, 5/6, $780,000

115 Technology Dr Lot B306, Trumbull Loves Children to Olea House Studios LLC, 5/4, $260,000

275 Mayfield Dr Lot 275, Gluse, Rose A and Carlson, Eric to Martell, Beverly A, 5/4, $286,000

1526 Huntington Tpke, Jordan-Garner, Betty J to Erbala LLC, 5/6, $460,000

VERNON

27 Brent Dr, USA HUD to Sarnoski, Benjamin S and Sarnoski, Jessica L, 5/2, $193,501

35 Ravens Croft Rd, Shea, Rosanne to Joseph Camgemi T and Camgemi, Brian, 5/2, $610,000

53 Elizabeth Ln Lot 53, Schoolnik, Jesse P to Brown, Guy W and Brown, Charlene J, 5/2, $274,000

94 Grand Ave, Zeimba William Est and Mecca, Teresa to Doehler, Timothy and Doehler, Tracy, 5/2, $199,900

246 Tunnel Rd, Scanlon, Nancy G to Schoolnik, Jesse P and Denoia, Marie C, 5/2, $450,000

WALLINGFORD

Hillside Ter Lot 11, Patel, Tejas and Patel, Rima to Acevedo, Rosa and Matamoros, Juan, 5/9, $115,000

N/A, Dunham, Barbara M to Glynn, Patricia, 5/11, $180,000

7 Cannon Gtwy, Lacy Jr, William H and Lacy, Ana R to Lacy, Jamie H and Lacy, Dominique, 5/11, $400,000

32 Shady Dr, Colon, Linda M to Spielman,

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Not all shade is the same

Gardening without help from the sun doesn't have to mean limited plant choices and lack of color

By Jessica Damiano
Associated Press



The chartreuse foliage of Hakone grass and golden creeping Jenny brighten a partly shady garden in Glen Head, New York.
JESSICA DAMIANO/AP

Gardening in the shade is often thought of as a Sisyphean endeavor, swimming upstream against all odds with limited plant choices and no hope for color.

But that notion couldn't be further from the truth. Learning how to work with — not necessarily around — shady conditions, and finding the right plants for the right place can make all the difference.

The first step is understanding the type of shade you have. Identify the spot where you'd like to locate a bed or border and observe the light there during an entire day, taking note of how many hours of direct sunlight reaches the ground.

If you're still uncertain, buy a sunlight meter for about $20, set it in the bed for a full day and read the results.

The three main types of shade are characterized as part shade (3-6 hours of direct sun, typically in the morning), full shade (less than 3 hours of direct sun) and deep shade (sunlight seldom, if ever, gets through trees or past structures like buildings and fences). Sunlight filtered through overhead tree branches resulting in light, spotty shade is referred to as "dappled."

Armed with the knowledge of your precise shade conditions, seek out plants suited to thrive in them. You'll find that information on plant tags and seed packets.

Shady gardens typically take longer to warm up in spring, remain cooler on hot summer days and will likely require more fertilizer. They usually need less water, as soil remains moist longer after rainfall or irrigation than it does in full sun. However, if shade is cast by large trees immediately overhead, shrubs and herbaceous plants may lose the competition and need to be watered more often, so pay attention.

A generous dose of compost incorporated into soil at planting time will increase the water-holding capacity of sand, improve the drainage of clay, and add high-quality nutrients. Two to 3 inches of mulch applied over beds will help keep soil moisture balanced, but take care not to cover exposed tree roots.

Deep shade, usually on the north side of the house or under trees with dense canopies, is the most challenging for gardeners. If you garden in a three- or four-season climate where deciduous trees block the summer sun, take advantage of springtime conditions by planting bulbs. They'll wrap up their colorful spring show before the trees leaf out.

Consider painting fences and structures white to reflect sunlight. And decorate the area with light or bright hardscape elements like statues and gazing balls.

If possible, prune trees to open their canopies. Increasing light exposure just enough to achieve full-shade conditions will provide more options. Native understory woodland plants that grow in forests under large trees are best suited for full shade. They also support birds and pollinators. A Google search will get you started. Groundcovers like ajuga may survive, if not thrive.

For part shade, seek out plant varieties with white, silver, variegated, yellow or chartreuse foliage, such as coleus, coral bells, golden creeping Jenny and Hakone grass, to brighten the space. Anemone, astilbe, fern, hosta, oakleaf hydrangea, ligularia, rhododendron, toad lily and woodland phlox thrive in many mainland U.S. regions; ajuga, clivia, tropical gingers and bromeliads are good choices for the warmest climates.

Don't discount growing edibles. Although sun lovers like tomatoes, peppers and eggplants are off the table, leafy greens actually grow better in part shade than in full sun. Asian greens, arugula, cilantro, spinach and kale will provide a nice harvest in dappled to part shade.

Although slugs and snails tend to prefer shade, most pests pose less of a problem in low-light conditions. And the brightest spot of all? You'll sweat less while gardening!

Jessica Damiano writes regularly about gardening for The Associated Press. A master gardener and educator, she writes The Weekly Dirt newsletter and creates an annual wall calendar of daily gardening tips.

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John M, 5/11, $255,000

42 Hope Hill Rd, Komsa, Lajos to Keenan, Kelly and Damian, Christian, 5/12, $330,000

42 S Orchard St, Marino, Michael R to Seim, Jennifer L, 5/12, $305,000

46 S Cherry St, Smith, Michael A to Banks, Michael, 5/12, $160,000

240 S Orchard St, Given, George to Kish Jr, Kenneth G and Kish, Kenneth G, 5/11, $275,000

371 Ward St, Wood LT and Wood, Larry R to Mccarthy, Maureen and Weise, Markjus, 5/10, $380,000

431 Main St, Angelico, Brian to Garcia, Maria R and Garcia, Oscar, 5/9, $259,000

WASHINGTON

Dark Entry Rd, Saharek, Stephen M and Saharek, Kerry H to Gillotti, Jesse, 5/11, $15,000

232 Old Litchfield Rd, Saharek, Stephen M and Saharek, Kerry H to Gillotti, Jesse, 5/11, $15,000

WATERBURY

Althea St, Thorn, Lisa to Mencia, Kelvin J, 5/12, $204,900

Angel Dr, Moreno, Alexander to Singh, Avinash, 5/13, $220,000

Chipman St, Martin, Erin M to AFP&Sons Const Co LLC, 5/12, $38,895

Golden Hill St, Dorsey, Besayda R to Pina, Angel, 5/13, $145,000

Hungerford Ave, T&O RE Dev Group LLC to Wakefield Heights LLC, 5/10, $237,500

Lanzeri St, Mda Holdings LLC to Satchell, Aleka, 5/13, $160,000

Marita Dr, Thorn, Melissa H and Thorn, Michael D to Jackson, Keya and Jackson, George, 5/11, $251,000

Mill Plain Ave, Velazquez, Alexander and Velazque, Stacia to Silvera, Leasa, 5/10, $163,000

Morse St, Velazquez, Alexander and Velazque, Stacia to Silvera, Leasa, 5/10, $163,000

Neil St, Dorsey, Besayda R to Pina, Angel, 5/13, $145,000

Oronoke Rd, Tarelli, Sybi and Tarelli, Miranda to Tajildeen, Pamela, 5/13, $285,000

Roma Ave, Parker, Patrick I to Soberal, Miriam, 5/9, $290,000

Rosette St, Webvest LLC to Pagni, Guillaume A, 5/9, $140,000

Terrace Ave, Dorsey, Besayda R to Pina, Angel, 5/13, $145,000

Twining Ave, Basil Frank P Sr Est and Markey, David J to Juniors Properties LLC, 5/13, $110,000

Weybeth Ave, Moreno, Alexander to Singh, Avinash, 5/13, $220,000

White Birch Dr, Qoku, Mahamet and Kacalniku, Rene to Tarelli, Sybi and Tarelli, Miranda, 5/13, $340,000

3 Herkimer St, Home Key Investments LLC to Valentine, Amilcar, 5/12, $140,000

7 Carmel St, Mda Holdings LLC to Satchell, Aleka, 5/13, $160,000

18 Welton St, DRW Investments LLC to Lazo, Segundo M, 5/13, $238,000

20 Welton St, DRW Investments LLC to Lazo, Segundo M, 5/13, $238,000

21 Vista Pl, LP&MR LLC to Rivard, Heather and Rivard, Nathaniel, 5/9, $143,000

23 W Liberty St, Aponte, Sarah to Romero, Felix J, 5/10, $130,000

24 Friend St, Pina, Angel to Rodriguez, Rene A, 5/10, $205,000

28 Fairfield Ave, Knightly, Steven and Parr, Mark to Pacheco, Juan A, 5/13, $250,000

38 Acra Rd, FNMA to Colt Homes LLC, 5/12, $143,170

45 Proctor St, Dorsey, Besayda R to Pina, Angel, 5/13, $145,000

56 Brookview Ave, Davis, Todd J to Jennifer Investments LLC, 5/10, $130,000

57 Rockledge Dr, Santoro Vito A Est and Santoro, Michael J to Htge Bldrs Of Waterbury, 5/11, $174,900

62 Charlevoux St, Thorn, Lisa to Mencia, Kelvin J, 5/12, $204,900

70 Venice Ave, Parker, Patrick I to Soberal, Miriam, 5/9, $290,000

79 Sprucedale Dr, Nelson, Nigel to Mejias, Jannette, 5/9, $327,000

85 Highland Ave, Santos, Maria E to Lynch, Donovan, 5/9, $259,900

100 Clyde Ave, Webvest LLC to Pagni, Guillaume A, 5/9, $140,000

109 Edgewood Ave, Payne, Allen to Crook, Rachel, 5/11, $175,000

120 Alder St, Samaritan Brothers Inc to Grant, Justin, 5/13, $115,000

121 Edson Ave, T&O RE Dev Group LLC to Wakefield Heights LLC, 5/10, $237,500

148 Elliott Ave, Demiraj, Rustem I and Demiraj, Indira I to 35 No Cole Avenue LLC, 5/12, $310,000

148 Elliott Ave, 35 No Cole Avenue LLC to Santiago, Veckman and Santiago, Sandra M, 5/12, $310,000

174 Stonefield Dr Lot 38, Hagopian, Erin E to Barros, Thais L, 5/11, $150,000

184 Chestnut Ave, Pinos, Rodney P to Reinoso, Cesar W and Gallegos, Patricia J, 5/11, $160,000

187 Anna Ave, Bah, Gibril to Maldonado, Juan C, 5/9, $200,000

187 Mansfield Ave, Velazquez, Alexander and Velazque, Stacia to Silvera, Leasa, 5/10, $163,000

223 Hubbell Ave, Moreno, Alexander to Singh, Avinash, 5/13, $220,000

235 Woodtick Rd, Basil Frank P Sr Est and Markey, David J to Juniors Properties LLC, 5/13, $110,000

278 Wall St, Rosario, Joao to Mogrovejo, Fredy J and Espinoza, Sergio C, 5/9, $250,000

290 N Harker Ave, Ross, Richard R to Cardenas, Claudio S, 5/11, $185,000

302 Edgewood Ave, Cashman, Nathan J to Sanasee, Phulmattie and Sanasee, Amarnauth, 5/11, $175,000

371 Windy Dr, Thorn, Melissa H and Thorn, Michael D to Jackson, Keya and Jackson, George, 5/11, $251,000

448 Columbia Blvd Ext, Gmar Tov LLC to Kaff, Toby, 5/13, $190,000

568 Chipman St Ext, Tarelli, Sybi and Tarelli, Miranda to Tajildeen, Pamela, 5/13, $285,000

600 Washington Ave, Premier Specialty Foods to Chicaiza, Lupe D, 5/11, $350,000

743 Woodtick Rd, Solano, Porfirio and Solano, Sabina to Marsh, Eugene, 5/10, $250,000

866 Highland Ave, K Brothers LLC to Highlanders LLC, 5/12, $370,000

925 Oronoke Rd Lot 25E, First Oronoke Assn Inc to Schlemmer, Melissa, 5/10, $219,900

3227 E Main St Lot G, Macari, Anthony to Tomkowicz, Cynthia, 5/9, $140,000

WATERFORD

New London Rd, Mcbride, Arlene L and Mcbride, Michael P to Gatchalian, Gerardo T and Gatchalian, Elma G, 5/13, $315,000

1 Lanyard Ln, Palone FT and Palone, Louis to Morrissette, Jefrey J and Morrissette, Christine, 5/10, $749,000

7 Alewife Rd, George Lazerow T and Lazerow, Ellen to Kelly, Max, 5/9, $114,577

11-B Marguy St, Sunmarraf Builders LLC to Richardson, Alistar and Richardson, Nicole I, 5/12, $404,000

14 Mary Butler Dr, Gaccione, David P to Clark, Gerald and Clark, Regina, 5/13, $501,000

21 Faulkner Dr, Cavanaugh, Jean R to Leblanc, Kristopher, 5/9, $255,000

29 Savi Ave, Barrios, Brandon to Mea, Andrea M and Rotolo, Daniel, 5/10, $400,000

54 Rope Ferry Rd Lot I154, Farina, James E and Farina, Monica P to Steamer, Timothy, 5/13, $202,000

63 Clark Ln, Ormond, Margaret Y and Kaufma, Catherine to Pimentel, Michael P and Pimentel, Tammy L, 5/9, $190,000

310 Boston Post Rd Lot 144, Long, Vicki to Merlino, Robert J, 5/11, $162,000

WATERTOWN

Colonial Rd, Vaichus Joseph P Est and Vaichus, Timothy J to Framski, Heather and Vaichus, Isaac, 5/13, $300,000

Honey Hill Rd, Herbert W Maguire RET and Grasser, Deborah A to Fahy 3rd, William D and Fahy, Christine A, 5/13, $339,000

Jericho Rd, Krasniqi, Hashim to Cruz, Erick D, 5/9, $375,000

Oak Dr, Spry, Michael J to Doherty, Michael, 5/12, $300,000

Old Colonial Rd, Vaichus Joseph P Est and Vaichus, Timothy J to Framski, Heather and Vaichus, Isaac, 5/13, $300,000

Sunnyside Ave, Vaichus Joseph P Est and Vaichus, Timothy J to Framski, Heather and Vaichus, Isaac, 5/13, $300,000

26 Hazel St, Davino, Michael J and Davino, Maryann to Poma, Jason M, 5/12, $228,000

69 Elena Dr, Sprankel, Marianne and Matolcsy, Alexander to Williams, Fay L and Williams, Nicholas E, 5/12, $255,000

148 Falls Ave, Divirgilio, Johanne to Nazhmiddinoy, Ravshandhon and Shrestha, Milan, 5/10, $85,000

150 Falls Ave, Divirgilio, Johanne to Nazhmiddinoy, Ravshandhon and Shrestha, Milan, 5/10, $85,000

256 Straits Tpke, Spry, Michael J to Doherty, Michael, 5/12, $300,000

304 Buckingham St, Gronau, Todd and Gronau, Corin to Rizzo, Frank and Sacillowski, Tadeusz, 5/11, $415,000

308 Buckingham St, Gronau, Todd and Gronau, Corin to Rizzo, Frank and Sacillowski, Tadeusz, 5/11, $415,000

WEST HARTFORD

Approved St, Marshall, Kristin R to Macdonald, Ian M and English, Christine L, 5/10, $370,000

Louis Rd, Marshall, Kristin R to Macdonald, Ian M and English, Christine L, 5/10, $370,000

N Main St, Perry, Shannon W and Perry, Elizabeth F to Dowd, Ryan P and Dowd, Meredith E, 5/9, $780,000

Saint James St, Maroney, Stephen V and Maroney, Leah M to Holman, Thomas and Holman, Jasmine, 5/9, $290,000

Willend Ave, Wilson, Nancy E to Luzzi, Steven M, 5/9, $58,910

6 Eaton Cir Lot 6, Beverly Lavender LT and Lavender, Joan E to Fox, Nanci, 5/13, $240,000

8 Warren Ter, Next Generation Pk Rd LLC to Park Warren RSK LLC, 5/9, $1,905,000

9 Westfield Rd, Daigle, Brian and Daigle, Janet to Nguyen, Anh B and Lynch, Kathleen, 5/13, $508,000

10 Westfield Rd, Kindgren, Colin and Fiorile, Elizabeth to Mcgillivray, Ian J and Sun, Mary, 5/12, $665,000

11 Lowell Rd, Wuskell Andrew A Est and Beckett, Suzann L to Curry, Laura J, 5/9, $277,000

12 Warren Ter, Next Generation Pk Rd LLC to Park Warren RSK LLC, 5/9, $1,905,000

14 Warren Ter, Next Generation Pk Rd LLC to Park Warren RSK LLC, 5/9, $1,905,000

16 Duffield Dr, Stook, Karen to Yarmola, Andrew and Pshevorska, Liana, 5/9, $475,000

18 Park Rd, Next Generation Pk Rd LLC to Park Warren RSK LLC, 5/9, $1,905,000

18 Still Ln, Kotler, Deborah Y and Kotler, Marc M to Fernando, Ruwan N and Fernando, Rathugamage S, 5/10, $400,000

20 Outlook Ave Lot 204, Chen, Zhong to Shoham, Maya and Marquez, Elizabeth, 5/11, $187,000

20 Park Rd, Next Generation Pk Rd LLC to Park Warren RSK LLC, 5/9, $1,905,000

22 Park Rd, Next Generation Pk Rd LLC to Park Warren RSK LLC, 5/9, $1,905,000

23 Race Brook Rd, Marshall, Kristin R to Macdonald, Ian M and English, Christine L, 5/10, $370,000

24 Park Rd, Next Generation Pk Rd LLC to Park Warren RSK LLC, 5/9, $1,905,000

29 Tanglewood Rd, Segura, Victor M and Sandoval, Victoria to Curtiss, James D, 5/12, $387,500

41 Briarwood Rd, Dorothy R Graves T and Graves, Dorothy R to Louis, Jennifer, 5/12, $280,000

41 Fulton Pl, Dangelos, Kara and Dangelos, Michael S to Lehenbauer, Melissa S and Lehenbauer, Adam M, 5/12, $905,000

53 Richard St, Underwood, Allison to Girard, Nicholas, 5/12, $331,500

55 Fennbrook Rd, Maroney, Stephen V and Maroney, Leah M to Holman, Thomas and Holman, Jasmine, 5/9, $290,000

65 Brenway Dr, Perry, Shannon W and Perry, Elizabeth F to Dowd, Ryan P and Dowd, Meredith E, 5/9, $780,000

67 Princeton St, Adhikari, Niranjan and Adhikari, Ishwari to Gurung, Bir B, 5/11, $327,500

90 Emily Way Lot 90, Brewer, Molly to Donaghy, Patrick J and Donaghy, Barbara J, 5/9, $495,000

97 Mohegan Dr, Taylor, David L to Malcolm, Jason, 5/10, $301,000

324 Newington Rd, Wilson, Nancy E to Luzzi, Steven M, 5/9, $72,370

326 Newington Rd, Wilson, Nancy E to Luzzi, Steven M, 5/9, $72,370

330 Newington Rd, Wilson, Nancy E to Luzzi, Steven M, 5/9, $58,910

887 Farmington Ave Lot 1A, Denise F Nelson T and Nelson, Denise F to Buran Properties LLC, 5/13, $199,900

WEST HAVEN

5 Treat St Lot 11C, Delgado, Sergio to K Treat Street LLC, 5/10, $65,000

8 Ellsworth St, Country Hill Dev LLC to Rosewood Home Builders, 5/6, $35,000

14 Ellsworth St, Phipps Development LLC to Rosewood Home Builders, 5/6, $175,000

40 Brown St, Charles, Ddyne to Golden Rose Holdings LLC, 5/6, $200,000

48 4th Ave, Sibre, Luis and Caliber Home Loans Inc to Huertas, Andrei, 5/12, $205,000

55 Ida Ln, Sirochman 3rd, Michael to Hartnack, Daniel, 5/9, $330,000

56 Miami St, Kershaw, Christopher D to Tital Holdings LLC, 5/13, $200,000

62 Aircraft Rd, Lauro, John R to Duane, Michael E and Duane, Cynthia Y, 5/12, $299,000

79 Claudia Dr Lot 248, RV Associates Inc to Wynkoop, Angela M, 5/6, $174,000

79 Claudia Dr Lot 253, RV Associates Inc to Wynkoop, Angela M, 5/6, $174,000

79 Claudia Dr Lot 147, RV Associates Inc to Wynkoop, Angela M, 5/6, $174,000

79 Claudia Dr Lot 453, RV Associates Inc to Civil, Huseyin, 5/6, $55,000

79 Claudia Dr Lot 256, RV Associates Inc to Civil, Nuriye, 5/6, $55,000

80 Fresh Meadow Rd, West Haven City Of and Rehoboth Temple Church to Good Shepherd Ministries, 5/10, $151,000

88 Milton Ave, Biagetti, Richard F and Biagetti, Robert W to Barroso, Jose F and Barroso, Colleen A, 5/11, $430,000

97 Baldwin St, Collins, Daria and Beltran, Luis to Patricia Krantz T and Tr, Patricia Krantz, 5/9, $289,900

109 Sycaway St, Country Hill Dev LLC to Rosewood Home Builders, 5/6, $35,000

115 Sycaway St, Country Hill Dev LLC to Rosewood Home Builders, 5/6, $175,000

140 Captain Thomas Blvd Lot 608, Kaufman, Eva L and Kaufman, William to Sklavounakis, Ioannis, 5/9, $145,000

165 Terrace Ave, Agostini Lawrence D Est and Agostin, Lawrence J to Jaisaree, Mario, 5/6, $150,000

223 W Walk Lot 223, Maher, Robert E and Montz, Christopher to Gloria Valente IRT and Holt, Linda, 5/11, $160,000

229 Daytona St, Cesario, Gregoria to Campos-Calix, Mauricio and Calix-Torres, Gustavo, 5/11, $200,000

343 Beach St Lot 204, Lewis, Barry D to Rosenberg, Judith, 5/12, $431,000

375 Captain Thomas Blvd Lot 2, Smith, Elizabeth to Bean, Danielle L, 5/11, $194,500

399 Washington Ave, Valencia, Adriana to Hurwitz, Amuel, 5/11, $493,000

460 3rd Ave, Deutsche Bank Natl T Co to Munoz, Carlos P, 5/11, $171,150

768-772 Campbell Ave, Finnell, John to Daddona, Roseanne, 5/6, $264,250

WESTBROOK

59 Fawn Hill Dr, Cecunjanin, Rusit to Cecunjanin, Abidin, 5/12, $260,000

WESTON

1 Ballymoss, Delaney, Jami and Delaney, Brendan to Bukina, Ksenia, 5/6, $1,463,000

7 Homeward Ln, First Republic Bank and Homeward LLC to Salomone, Peter, 5/6, $1,175,000

12 Old Stage Coach Rd, Ratner, Daniel J and Ratner, Donna to Osullivan, John and Osullivan, Catherine, 5/9, $1,529,000

25 Old Hyde Rd, Lautenbach, John B to Lautenbach, Denise K, 5/9, $1,800,000

64 Old Redding Rd, Remmell, Paul L to Mbakh Holdings LLC, 5/9, $3,499,000

103 Weston Rd, Emberling, Stapley to Mincone, Phillip, 5/9, $875,000

WESTPORT

Parsell Ln, Ether Properties LLC to 1 Parsell Ln LLC, 5/10, $720,000

Regents Park, William H Wiehl RET and Wiehl, William H to Gordon, Debra D, 5/4, $1,105,000

Tiffany Ln, Bayer, Glenn W and Bayer, Joanne L to Bayer, Zachary R, 5/9, $480,000

Tiffany Ln, Bayer, Glenn W and Bayer, Joanne L to Bayer, Alexander J, 5/9, $480,000

1 Diamond Hill Ln, Seo, Michael J and Lee, Jane Y to Calaguire, Jordan and Calaguire, Kristin, 5/6, $2,400,000

2 Imperial Lndg, Hughes, Clayton J and Bassin, Janine to Shue, Kelly, 5/10, $2,002,000

7 Hyatt Ln, Alianiello, Rocco A to Kenline, Paul J and Kenline, Aimee B, 5/9, $2,350,011

9 Wakeman Rd, Rhoads, Edward E and Rhoads, Bobbie to Daemi-Mokhlesi, Jiyann and Coleman, Christine J, 5/6, $2,550,000

23 High St, Lopresti, Philip G and Lopresti, Noelle to King, Jessica and King, Ramond, 5/9, $1,426,000

25 Grassy Plains Rd Lot 25, Reserve At Grassy Plains to Dankwah-Quansah, Maame, 5/9, $1,475,000

36 Bridge St, Bangia, Ashish and Bangia, Shpresa to Taylor, Todd E and Taylor, Shannon R, 5/9, $1,860,000

203-C Compo Rd S, Endo, Yoshio and Endo, Diane L to Further Afield 203C S Com, 5/9, $900,000

222 Hillspoint Rd, HNK Properties LLC to Soundview Emp Alliance, 5/10, $1,511,250

WETHERSFIELD

Reservoir Rd, Teresa Santini T and Santini, Teresa to Okeefe, Linda, 5/12, $525,000

5 Silo Dr, Strong Patricia M Est and Margittai, Andre G to Dingfelder, Zoryana and Dingfelder, Alan J, 5/11, $438,000

21 Byrd Rd, Meng, Stephanie A to Xie, Wenyu and Boss, Samuel C, 5/10, $312,000

32 Tanglewood Rd, Garcia, Luther and Garcia, Jeremy J to Hajdarevic, Mersija, 5/13, $277,500

46 Hart St, Triton Invest Group LLC to Girard Endeavours LLC and M&S Pine LLC, 5/11, $210,000

66 Bond St, Gilbert, William C and Gilbert, Patrice E to Barrette, Victoria and Barrette, Zachary, 5/12, $296,000

88 Crystal St, 2nd Chance Homes LLC to Mamaclay, Hannah F and Biron, Daryl, 5/9, $265,000

92 Reed Dr, Poston, Zakary J to Decaro, Zachary, 5/12, $160,000

110 Coleman Rd, Coyne, Caroline to Benoit, Lauren and Mills, Ryan, 5/9, $290,000

249 Longvue Dr, Woloszyn, Krzysztof to Jolly, Lonell J, 5/13, $385,000

302 Brimfield Rd, Dolores G Dobrzynski LT and Selmont, Jason S to Penn, Stuart, 5/9, $261,000

483 Jordan Ln, Williams, Madelin and Williams, Darrell to Sevika-Adam, Devina and Adam, Saheed A, 5/11, $290,000

652 Maple St, Jacobs, Ronald C to Baksh, Michael and Jitlall, Anjali, 5/12, $205,000

1310-1320 Berlin Tpke Lot 216, Ayers Realty LLC to Isufaj, Juliana, 5/9, $112,000

WILLINGTON

21 Schofield Rd, Jones, Cameron and Jones, Lyndsey to Davtyan, Yuna, 5/9, $158,000

326 River Rd, Ellis, Matthew O to Ingram, Christopher L, 5/13, $275,000

WILTON

32 Marvin Ridge Pl, Coltman, Brett K and Coltman, Claudia A to Gilligan, Jeffrey and Gilligan, Ji E, 5/13, $1,515,000

45 Lambert Cmn Lot 45, Jacobstein, Aaron and Jacobstein, Erin to Piedmont, Karena and Piedmont, Mark, 5/9, $604,000

55 Wilton Crst Lot 55, Mack, Diane to Chung, Se R and Chung, Jun S, 5/6, $500,000

152 Hurlbutt St, Mitchell, Jennifer F to Tatum, Samuel W and Cheung, Elke W, 5/9, $905,000

378 Danbury Rd, Snowbird LLC to Wilton 378 LLC, 5/10, $1,075,000

WINCHESTER

105 Sucker Brook Rd, Lovetere, Jennifer and Roy, Polly A to Parsons, Todd A and Parsons, Elizabeth A, 5/9, $12,000

129 Blue St, Savage, Dale and Savage, Gail to Hall, Katie H, 5/9, $415,500

137 Blue St, Savage, Dale and Savage, Gail to Hall, Katie H, 5/9, $415,500

WINDHAM

43 Card St, Figueroa, Julia to Sebastian, Amanda K and Maybach-Osgood, Colton G, 5/9, $264,900

47 Winter St, Hardisty, Kathleen M to Dupont, Joshua M, 5/12, $126,000

84 N Windham Rd, Baker, Grove A to Reed, Rodney D, 5/12, $60,000

105 Chapman St, Mesick, Angela L and Mesick, Neil L to Kamali, Mohammadreza M, 5/9, $11,000

286 Summit St, Baron, Jeffrey A and Robinson, Christopher S to Phornprapha, Alexander, 5/11, $201,000

WINDSOR

11 Palisado Ave, J&P Performance LLC to Glidden Sr, Peter H and He, Xia, 5/12, $150,000

15 Farmstead Ln, Healy, Brenda E and Labbe, Reginald J to Adams, Christopher D, 5/10, $381,000

18 Orchard Rd, Rothenberg, Stuart to Hossain, Mohammed A and Shabnom, Lucky, 5/13, $310,000

22 High Path Rd Lot 22, Khan, Fareed A and Khan, Nishat F to Saulter, Chanel, 5/12, $125,000

75 Arrowbrook Rd, Thompson, Angela and Jackson, Deidrya A to Govan, Jhllah, 5/9, $365,000

81 Grove St, Mattarazzo, Patricia to Carroll, James P and Carroll, Luke T, 5/13, $210,000

129 Ethan Dr, Dowling, John F and Dowling, Regina M to Frimpong, Evelyn and Prempeh, Kwadwo, 5/9, $540,000

213 Windsor Ave, 213 Windsor LLC to Brown, Ann M, 5/12, $269,900

451 Prospect Hill Rd, Viveiros, David to Lee-Rodriques, Marie N and Rodriques, Lorenzo F, 5/12, $399,000

605 Day Hill Rd Lot 605, Fort Roc Realty 605 LLC to 605-615 Day Hill Road LLC, 5/9, $1,625,000

605 Palisado Ave, Robert Farrelly LLC to Neves, Magda, 5/13, $260,000

615 Day Hill Rd Lot 615, Fort Roc Realty 615 LLC to 605-615 Day Hill Road LLC, 5/9, $250,000

650 Pigeon Hill Rd, Wylot, Gail R to Rock Tree 2 LLC, 5/6, $260,000

709 Old Village Cir, Village Builders LLC to Parkinson, Seeta, 5/6, $307,057

721 Palisado Ave, Franco, Frank J and Capodanno, Michael A to Giuliano, Timothy A and Giuliano, Sara E, 5/10, $440,000

1924 Poquonock Ave, Quercus Mortgage INT and JP Morgan Chase Bank NA to Wilmington Svgs Fund Soc, 5/13, $359,490

WINDSOR LOCKS

Denslow St, Daniel, Zachary O and Cerrato, Jessica to Acevedo, Manuel, 5/9, $350,000

Old County Rd, Daniel, Zachary O and Cerrato, Jessica to Acevedo, Manuel, 5/9, $350,000

3 Patty Ln Lot 3, Mazza, Roseann C and Bank Of New York Mellon to Bank New York Mellon Tr, 5/13, $65,000

27 Ellis St, Tobey, Donna to Farrar, Patricia M, 5/13, $227,500

32 Coolidge St, Longbridge Financial LLC to Kaelin, Richard, 5/9, $191,000

53 Laurel Rd, Kakos, Lana K and Webster Bank NA to Majestic Modular Hm LLC, 5/11, $69,000

55 Acorn Dr, Thompson, Joshua H and Thompson, Ashley L to Owusu, Alfred and Amankwah, Abena, 5/12, $420,000

86 Andover Rd, Sponzo&Associates LLC to Rieder, Angelica, 5/9, $225,000

WOLCOTT

Old Rd, Mansi, April M to Tirado, Glenda, 5/9, $205,000

Proposed St, Onofreo, Kenneth D and Onofreo, Carley J to Sicard, Steven, 5/11, $450,000

99 Clinton Hill Rd, Antonio, Robert J to Praskievicz, Robert, 5/12, $250,000

242 Celia Dr, Mansi, April M to Tirado, Glenda, 5/9, $205,000

648 Bound Line Rd, Ragunauth, Pradesh and Lilman, Roshnie N to Kifer, David and Kifer, Michelle L, 5/10, $305,000

879 Spindle Hill Rd, Onofreo, Kenneth D and Onofreo, Carley J to Sicard, Steven, 5/11, $450,000

WOODBRIDGE

18 Hallsey Ln, Moriarty, James M and Moriarty, Kristy L to Gruber, Ryan C and Lobaza-Gruber, Katherine A, 5/9, $479,000

59 Peck Hill Rd, Cherfan, Sarah and Cherfane, Walid to Rao, Balaji and Rao, Vidhya, 5/13, $920,000

66 N Pease Rd, Simon-Trudeau, Esther P to Salato, Samantha M and Salato, Sarah E, 5/11, $420,000

WOODBURY

59 Cat Swamp Rd, Certain T and Sikowitz, Peter to Ritter, Tealia E and Ritter, David, 5/13, $1,275,000

60 Peter Rd, Stockwell Robert H Est and Stockwell Jr, Robert H to Schoenberg, David and Schoenberg, Marisa, 5/11, $675,000

WOODSTOCK

Brickyard Rd, Canavan 3rd, Richard W and Canavan, Deborah R to Martin, Jason and Martin, Jennifer, 5/12, $135,000

Child Rd, Farrow, Tracy to Hogarty, Aaron J and Eriksen, Shona L, 5/9, $225,000

362 Dugg Hill Rd, Gardner, Garth and Gardner, Kelly C to Johnson, Brittany, 5/12, $675,000

Beach houses are being swallowed by the sea

Neighborhood in Outer Banks area has lost 3 homes due to rising levels

By Richard Fausset
The New York Times



A home collapses into the Atlantic Ocean on May 12 off the coast of Rodanthe, N.C.
DANIEL PULLEN/THE NEW YORK TIMES

RODANTHE, N.C. — Like millions of other people recently, Hien Pham marveled at the online video of the two-story, pea-green beach house as it collapsed into a rising sea, left to bob in the agitated surf like a giant cork.

This particular giant cork, formerly at 24265 Ocean Drive, was Pham's. He had purchased the four-bedroom place in November 2020 for $275,000.

"It's definitely a feeling that you can't explain," said Pham, 30, a Knoxville, Tennessee, real estate agent. "Just to see something that once was there, and it's not there anymore."

The feeling, he added, "is pretty empty."

Three prime beachfront lots are now empty on Ocean Drive, a small stretch of a charmingly scruffy Outer Banks subdivision called Trade Winds Beaches that has, to the chagrin of its property owners, become a sort of poster neighborhood for sea-level rise — particularly since the video of Pham's house, which collapsed May 10, was shared widely on social media. The once-generous stretch of beach in front of the houses has largely vanished in recent months, leaving them vulnerable to the destructive power of the Atlantic Ocean.

It was Feb. 9 when the first house on the street floated away. A second house, a girthy two-story place with double wraparound porches owned by Ralph Patricelli of California, was claimed by the ocean just hours before Pham's.

"I talked to a contractor who is helping us with the cleanup; he said there is nothing left of our house," Patricelli said. "We don't know where it's gone. But it's just completely gone."

The gradual nature of sea-level rise means that for many coastal communities, it can feel like a distant threat. That is not the case on North Carolina's Outer Banks, the delicate chain of barrier islands fronting the Atlantic. Federal officials say that sea levels in the area have risen roughly 1 inch every five years, with climate change being one key reason. State officials say that some Outer Banks beaches are shrinking more than 14 feet per year in some areas.

"The water's already high and the waves are coming that much further inland, eating away at sand in a way that it wouldn't if the seas were lower," said William Sweet, an expert on sea-level rise at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Experts and locals note that on places like Hatteras Island, a thin strip of land where Trade Winds Beaches is one of numerous imperiled neighborhoods, beach erosion is a natural and inevitable process. Barrier islands get battered by storms on the ocean side, with the sands shifting westward, building up on the bay side.

David Hallac, superintendent of the National Parks of Eastern North Carolina, said that rising seas, and the increased frequency and intensity of storms, are likely intensifying the erosion on Ocean Drive, which abuts the Hatteras Island National Seashore.

The last two houses were destroyed amid a multiday nor'easter that pushed sand and wind onto state Highway 12, closing the essential two-lane route onto Hatteras Island for more than a day. Ocean Drive was a post-storm mess. The pavement was buried under several feet of sand, as if in a snowstorm. Splintered wood and other debris from the two houses were scattered around, spreading southward along the coast. Beach rentals were mostly unoccupied. TV news crews trudged around. Mark Gray, a worker with a cleanup company, was scraping remnants of Patricelli's house with an excavator.

Hallac stood in front of the place where Patricelli's house used to be, wrinkling his nose as the stench from the broken septic system wafted toward him.

None of this, he said, was surprising.

Around the time the first house collapsed, he said, officials in Dare County, North Carolina, informed his office that eight homes on the street had been ruled unsafe for habitation.

"So I reached out to homeowners and said, 'Hey, can you move your house, or remove it?'" Hallac said.

Both these options proved problematic for Ocean Drive homeowners in ways that many more property owners may experience in the next 30 years, a time period in which sea levels along U.S. coastlines are likely to rise by 1 foot, on average, resulting in more coastal flooding, according to a multiagency federal report released in February.

Patricelli said that two of his neighbors have moved their houses inland. But he said that only seemed to be buying a little time. "Moving the house doesn't mean you're not going to have problems," he said.

Elsewhere on Hatteras Island, some communities have embraced a solution called beach nourishment, which involves replenishing the beach with sand pumped from offshore. But that is expensive work, and Danny Couch, a member of the Dare County Commission, said he was skeptical that he could convince the park service that such a project was necessary to protect vital infrastructure.

For now, Patricelli's dream of having a rental investment property is lost. But some beachfront houses are still attracting visitors. Just up the beach from Patricelli's lot, Stephanie Weyer, a truck dispatcher from Pennsylvania, was enjoying a vacation with her family as best as she could, given the weather and the drama. She said she planned to come back to the same house next year — but 20 years on, she wondered if the neighborhood would be gone.

A few houses away, Matt Storey was pacing on the outdoor deck of the beachfront home he had bought in November and christened "Mermaid's Dream." He estimated there were roughly 70 feet of sand between the house and the beach when he closed on the property. On Thursday, the waves were lapping by the pilings of the house.

Storey, who lives in Raleigh, North Carolina, said that he felt somewhat confident buying the house, particularly because it had been moved back from the ocean in 2018 at a cost of $200,000. He owns another place nearby, and while he expected potential erosion problems eventually, he did not anticipate them coming so fast. For now, he said, he planned to keep renting the place. But he said he worried about losing his investment.

"We're stressed out," he said. "The worst thing that can happen is I can't sell it, I can't move it, I can't get rid of it, and I can't rent it."

Storey said his "nuclear option" was moving to Ocean Drive and living in his house full time, but that, too, came with obvious risks. "I don't have a plan," he said. "My plan is to ride it out."

ASK THE BUILDER

Drain swampy yards to prevent wet basements

By Tim Carter
Tribune Content Agency



Water flowing through the soil creates a swamp in the backyard of this home and many others in the neighborhood. It's easy to dry it out. **TIM CARTER**

Ande lives in Puyallup, Washington, and reads my weekly column in her paper. She's got a very common problem. In fact, tens of thousands of people suffer from it in places where there's abundant rainfall for many months during the year.

Ande's backyard turns into a miniature Okefenokee Swamp when it rains. Her crawl space also floods. She asked for my assistance in solving the problem. Fortunately, my college degree is in geology with a focus in hydrogeology — the study of groundwater.

Each spring, I receive hundreds of emails from homeowners who are suffering from water leaking into basements and crawl spaces. Most have soggy yards as well. The good news is that in almost all cases you can solve these problems with moderate effort and minimal expense if you can do most of the work yourself.

I do lots of phone coaching with homeowners like you, and in a vast majority of the cases, the builder caused most of the problems. The three biggest pain points are:

- Roof water is dumped onto the ground next to the house;
- The ground has not been sloped away from the house foundation; and
- The lot was improperly graded before the house was built, impeding drainage of surface water to the natural lowest spot.

You'd be surprised at the amount of water that falls onto your roof. If the footprint of your house's roof is close to 1,600 square feet, a rainstorm that dumps 1 inch of rain will create just over 1,000 gallons of water falling off the roof! The last thing you want to do is dump all this water onto splash blocks at the base of downspouts. This water needs to be piped to municipal storm sewers or piped to the lowest part of your lot where water would have drained naturally before your home was built.

The soil that touches up against your home must slope away from the foundation. If your home was built on a mountain peak, by default all the water would slope down and away from each side of your foundation.

You can achieve the same thing by making sure the top of your foundation walls are at least 18 inches higher than any ground within 10 feet of the foundation.

The building code suggests that the slope of the ground should fall at least 6 inches in the first horizontal 10 feet away from the foundation. Note that this is a minimum standard. More slope is better.

Once you have the ground sloping away from the foundation on all sides, you do what's necessary to slope your yard so water flows to the lowest point of your lot. This takes care of all surface water. It's now time to deal with the water flowing through the topsoil.

When it rains, water flows into the topsoil and occupies the space previously taken up by air. The water then is pulled by gravity down and then sideways. Many soils have a clay component, and as you go deeper into the soil, the denser the clay becomes. This is why in the Midwest, South and many other parts of the United States it's easy to create a pond. The clay soil acts like a giant pottery bowl.

If you know that this subsurface water is moving downslope toward your home, you simply have to intercept it before it hits your foundation. You then redirect this water around your home and send it on its way to the ocean. That's where all water wants to end up if given the chance unless you live in the Great Basin in the U.S. Southwest or similar locations in the world.

I feel the best way to intercept the subsurface water is to dig a 6-inch wide trench about 24 inches deep. In most situations this gets you into the dense clay subsoil. I like to put about 1 or 2 inches of clean rock in the bottom of the trench. This rock should be the size of large green grapes. Be sure there's no sand in the rock or smaller pieces of rock.

I then put a perforated 4-inch pipe on this gravel and then fill the trench to the top with the same grape-sized gravel. Water flowing through the soil hits this gravel, immediately drops down and finds its way into the drain pipe.

The trench might be L- or U-shaped as it goes around your home looking for daylight. As the ground slopes away from your home the drain pipe will eventually pop out of the ground if you keep the bottom of the trench level or have a very slight fall to the drain pipe of ⅛ inch per foot. In wet periods you'll see enough water flow out of the pipe to fill a five-gallon bucket in a minute or two!

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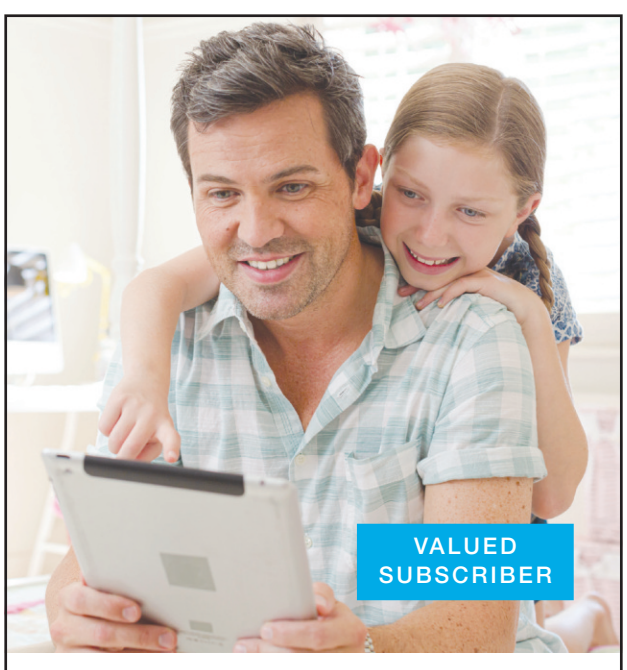
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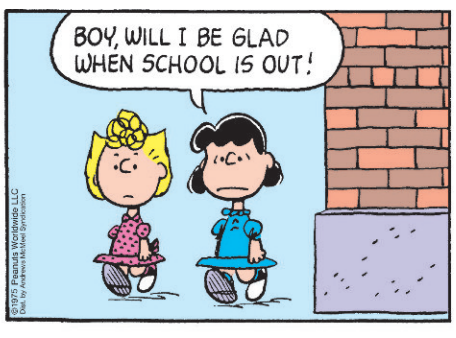
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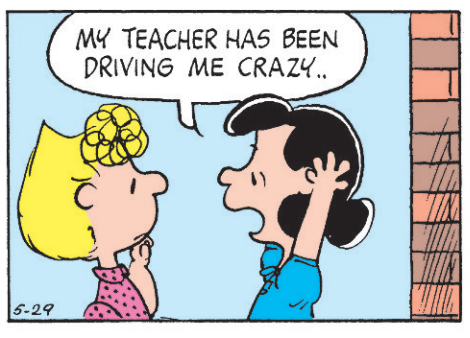
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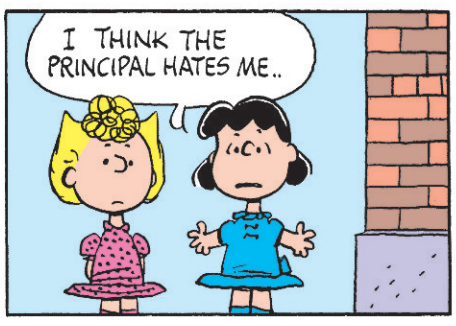
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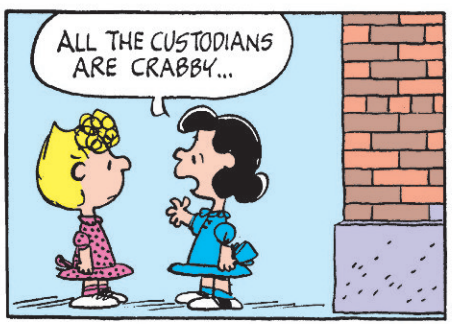
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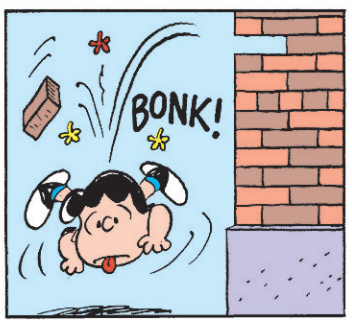




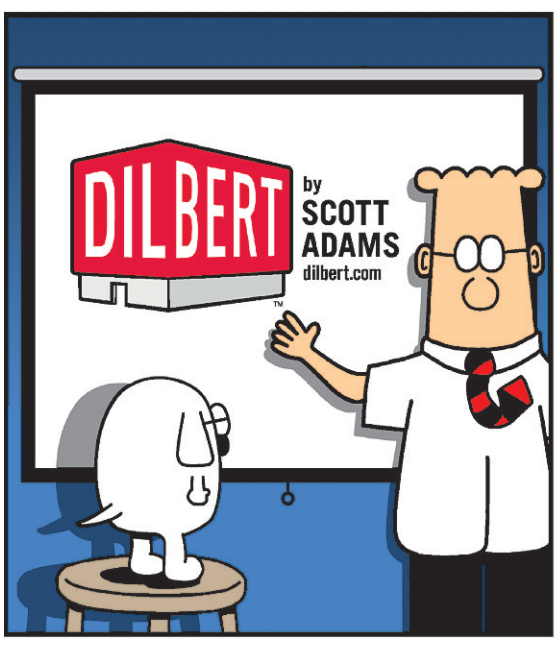


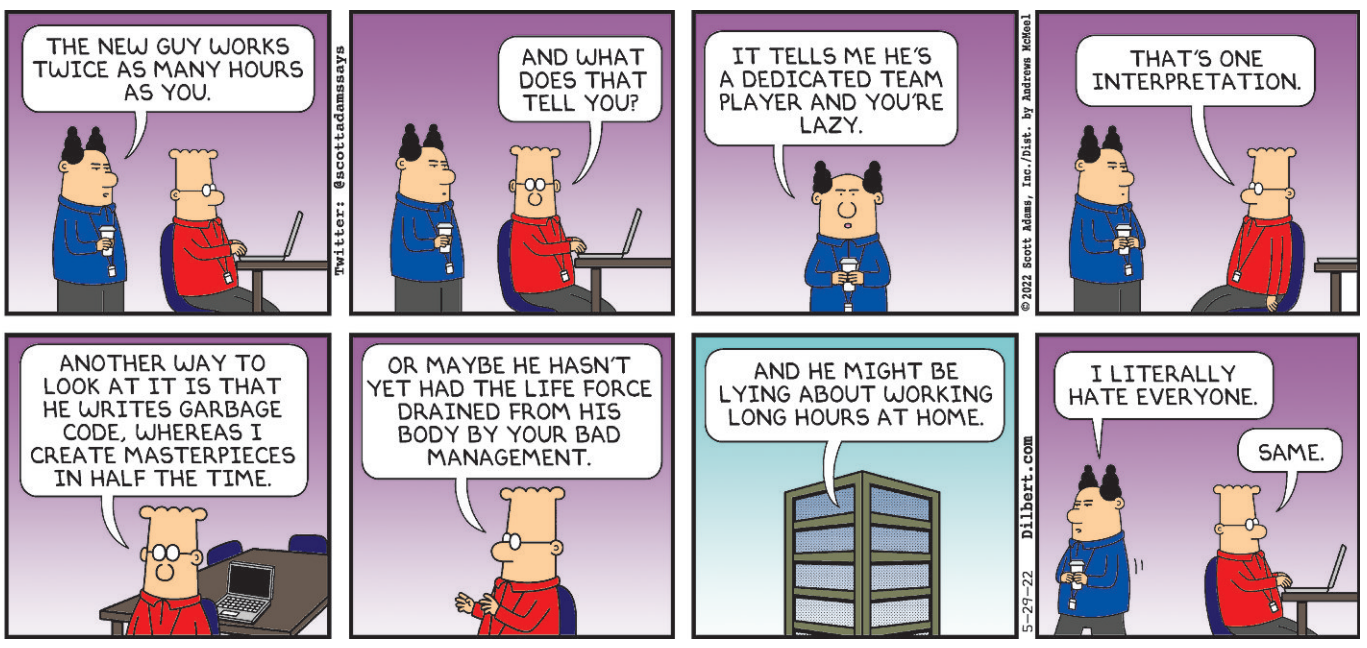


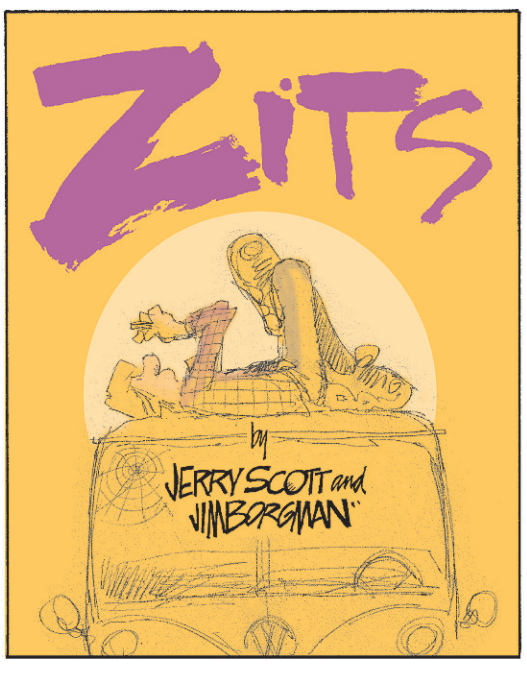


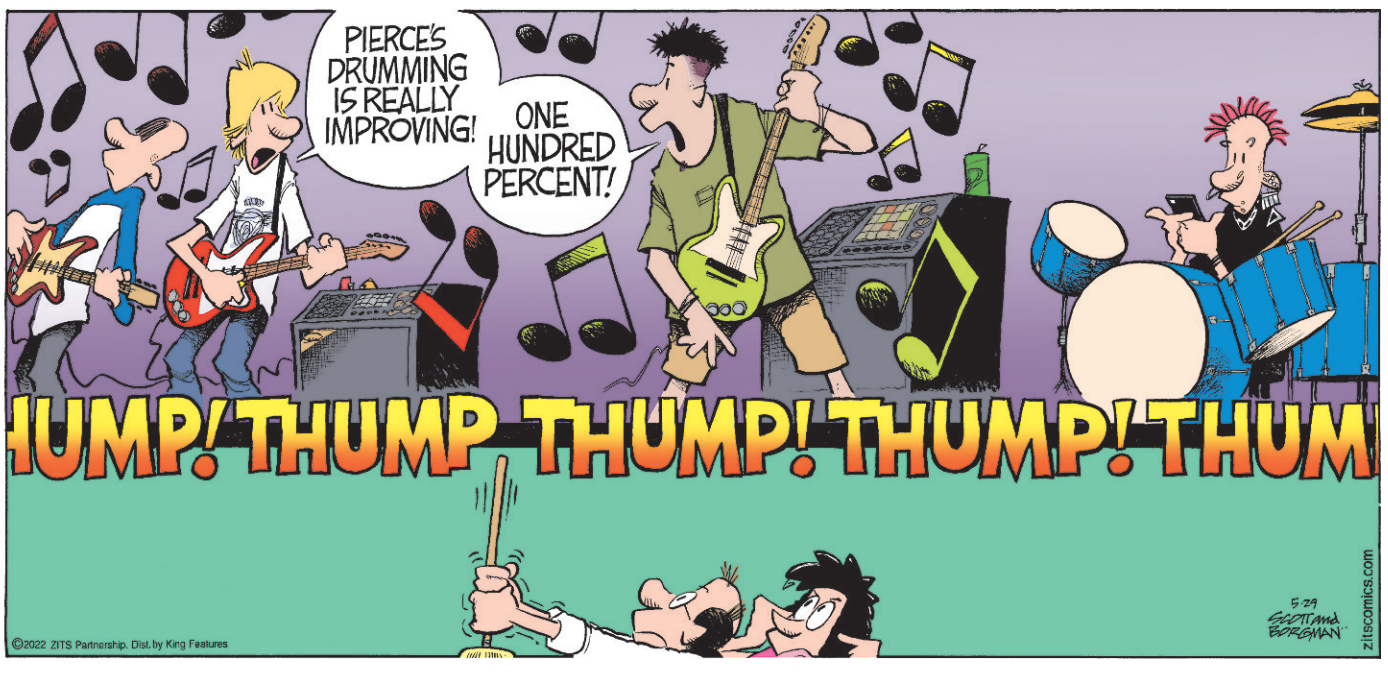


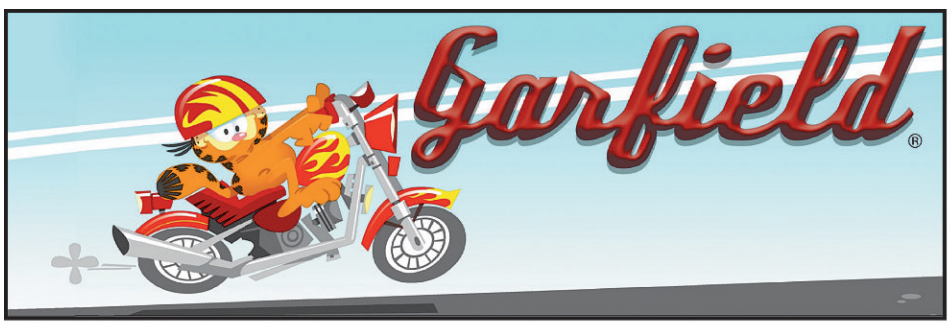


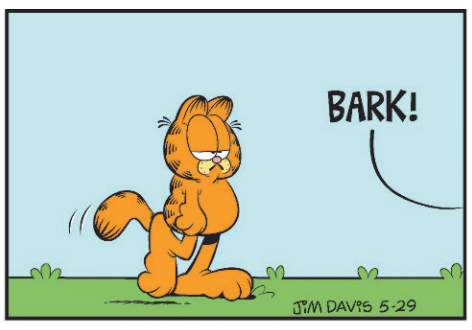


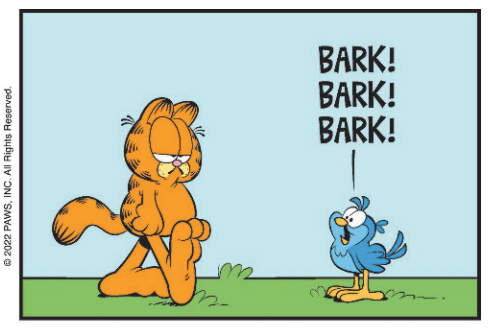




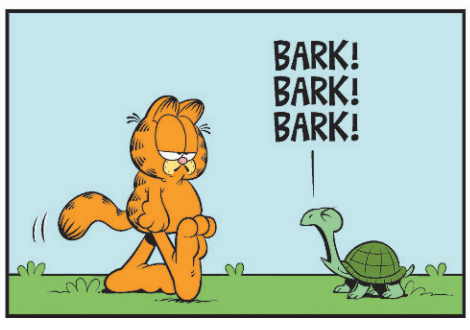






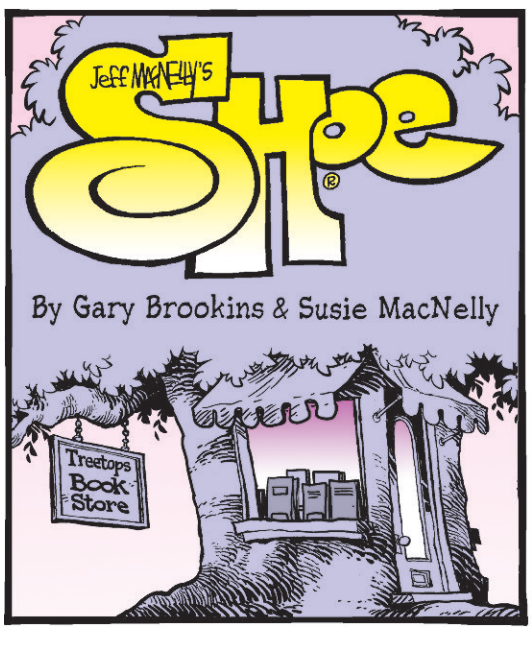




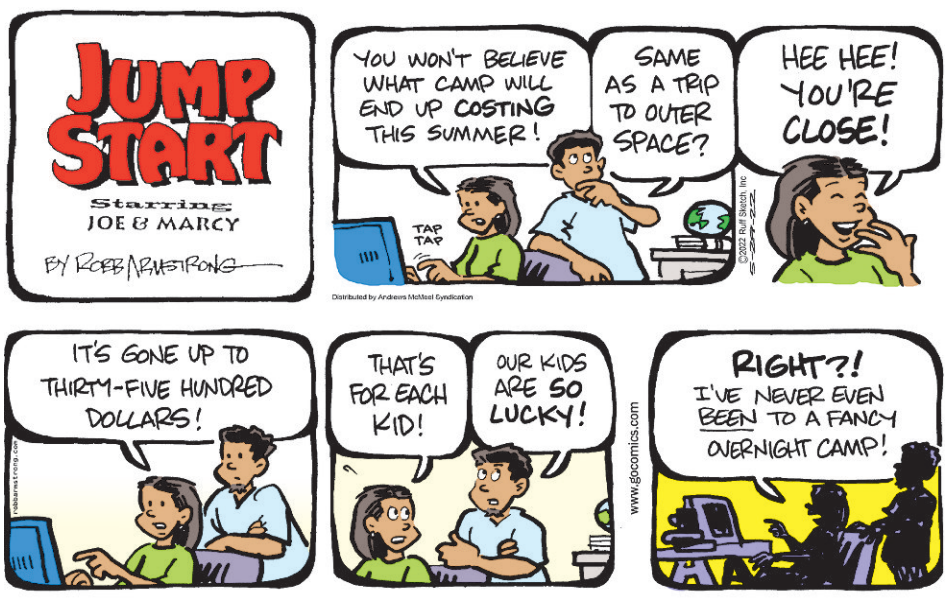






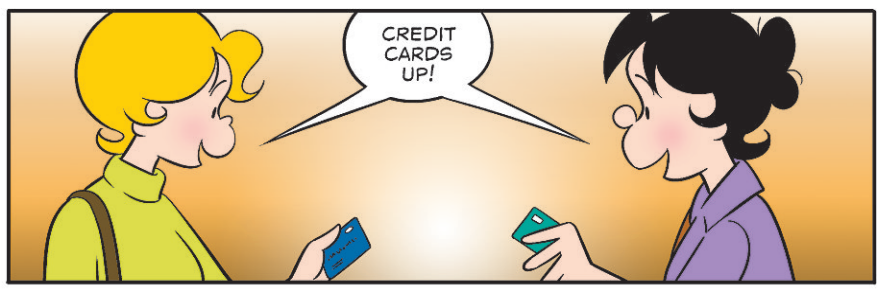








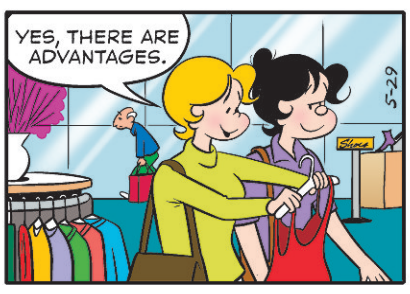


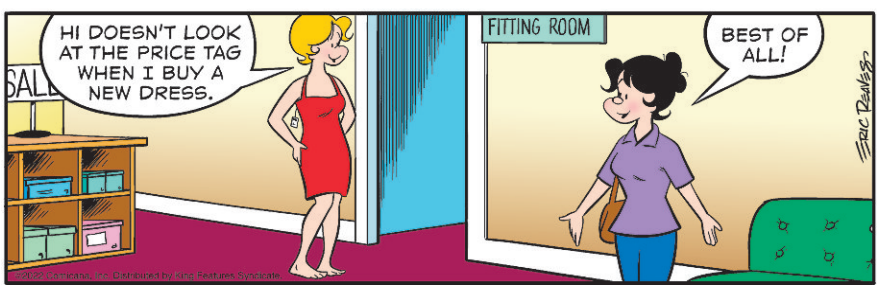






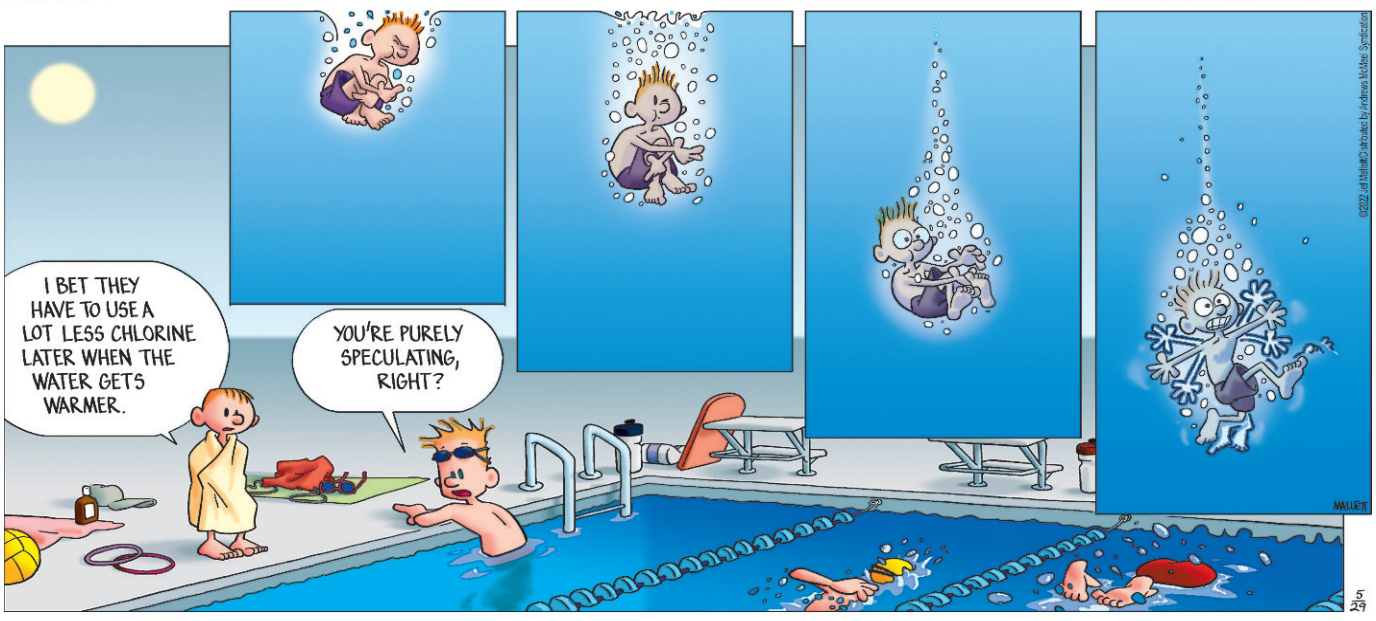




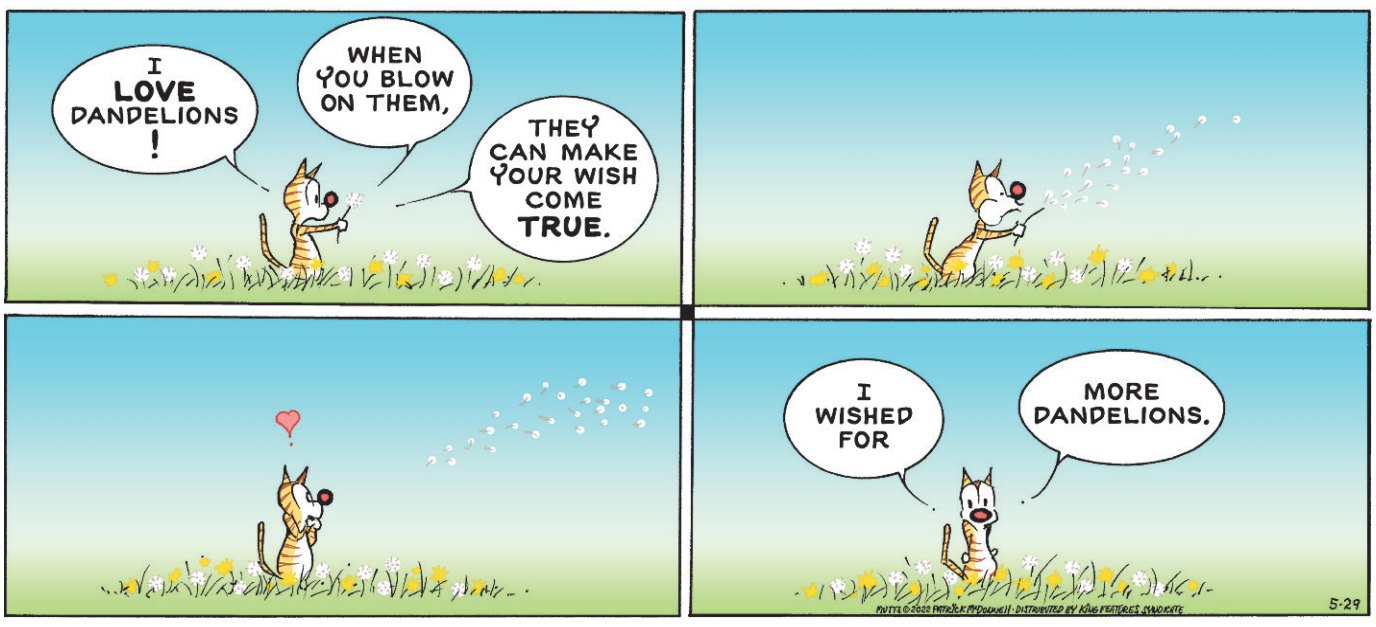




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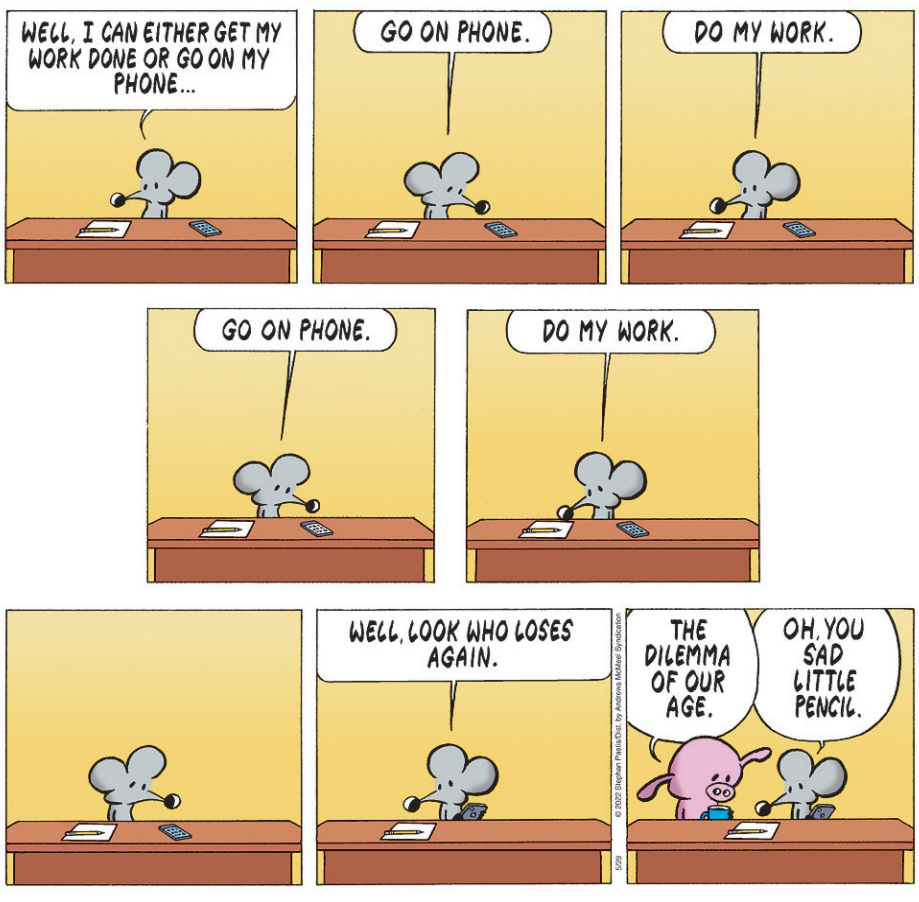
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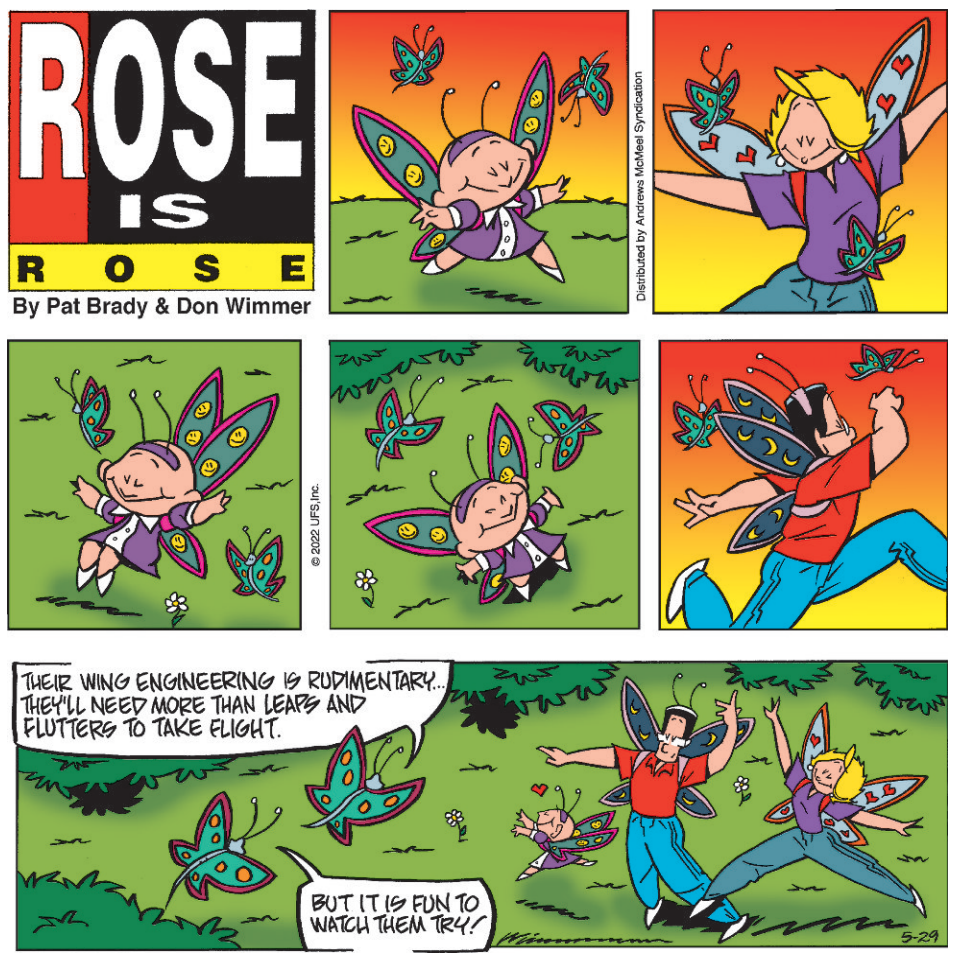
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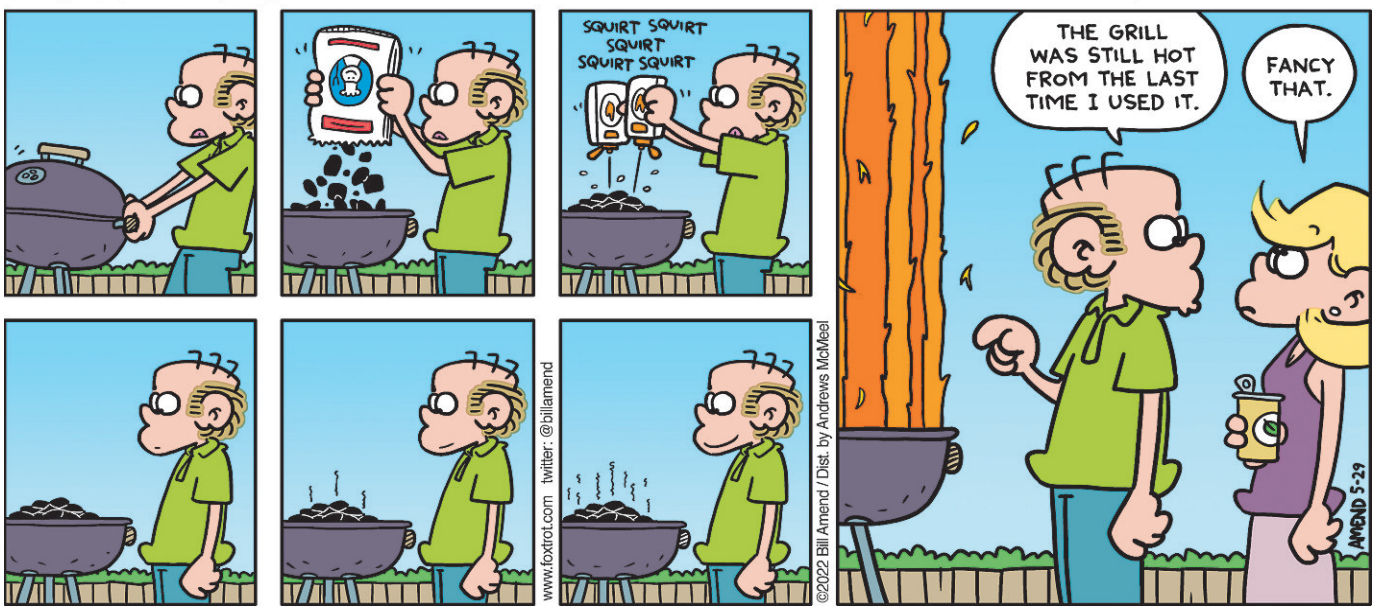
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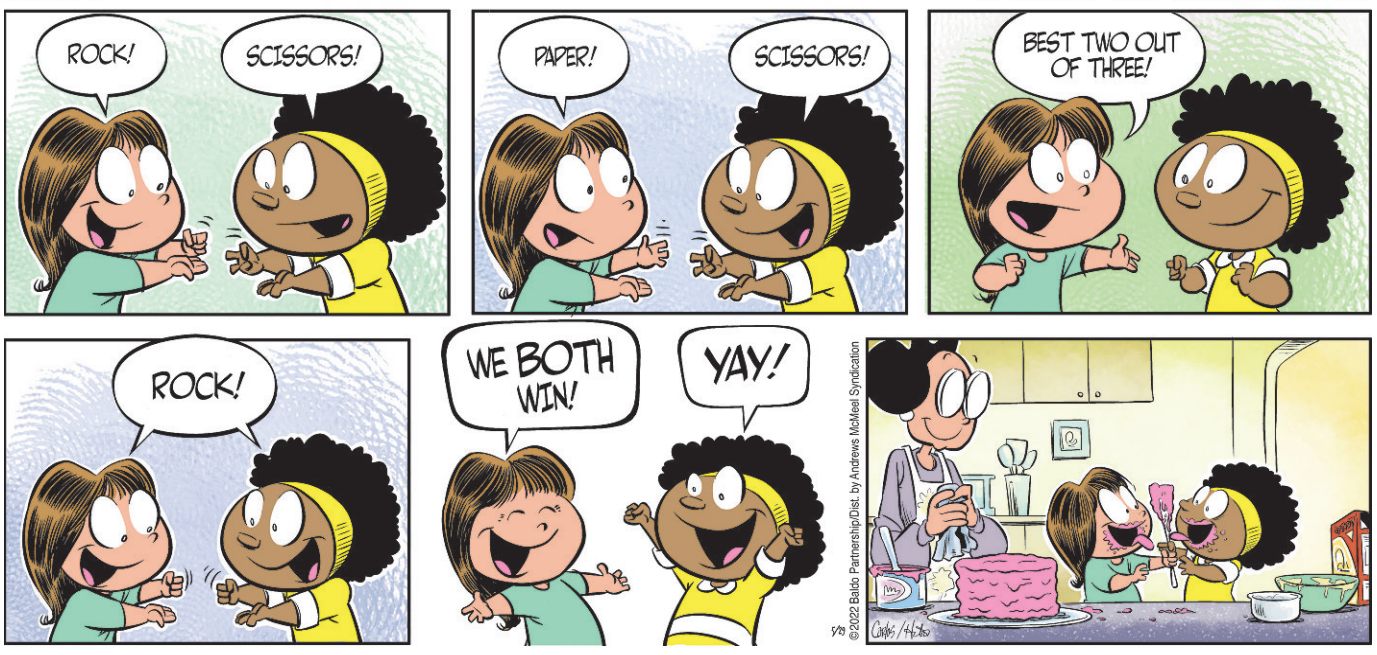
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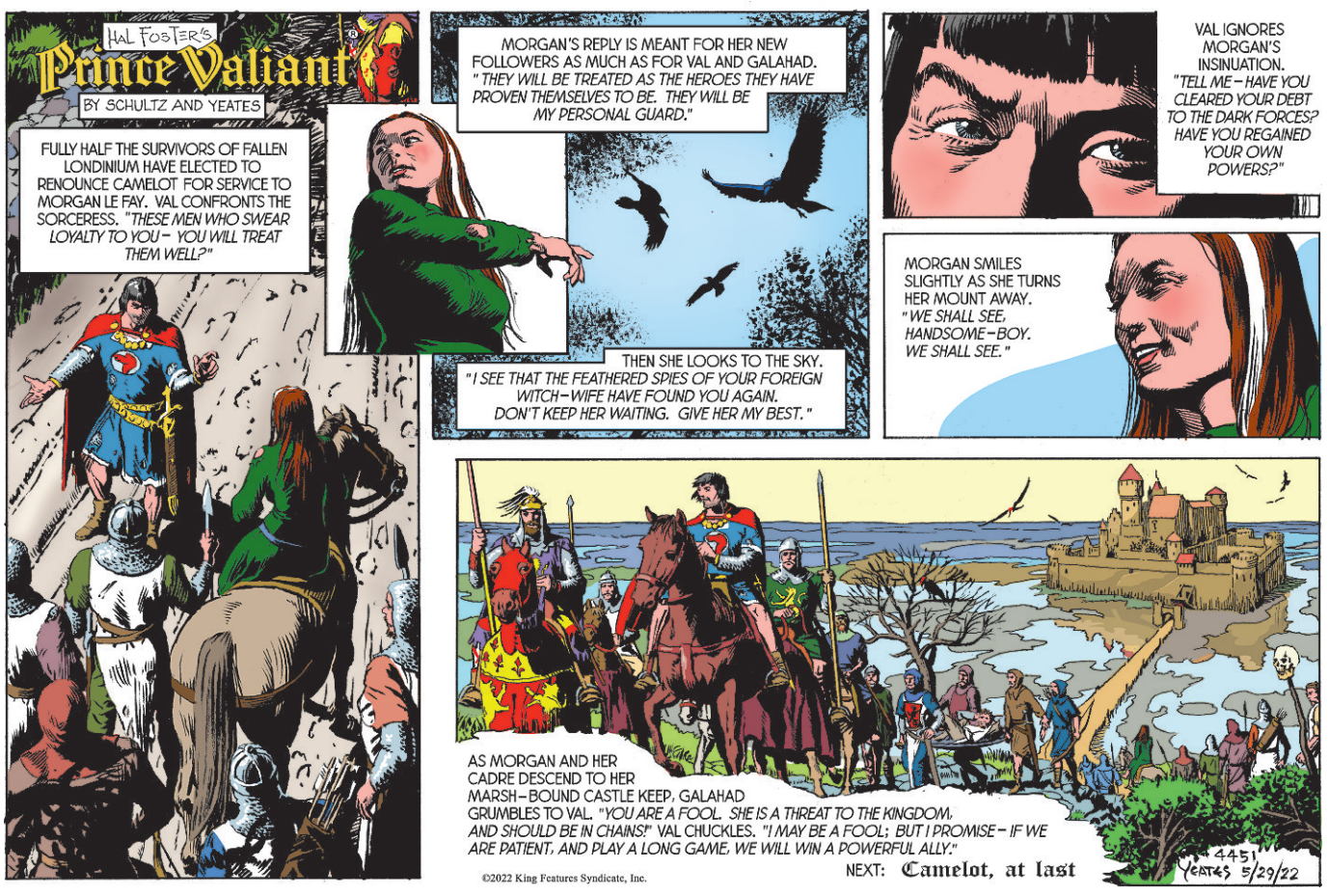
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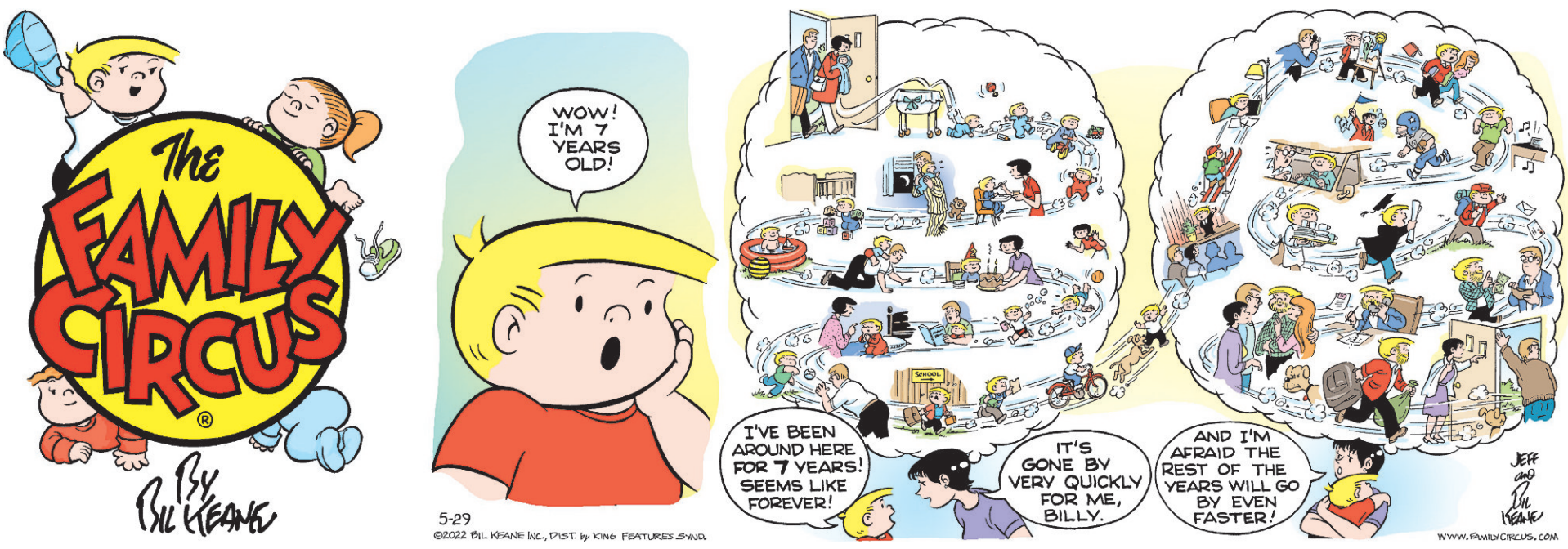
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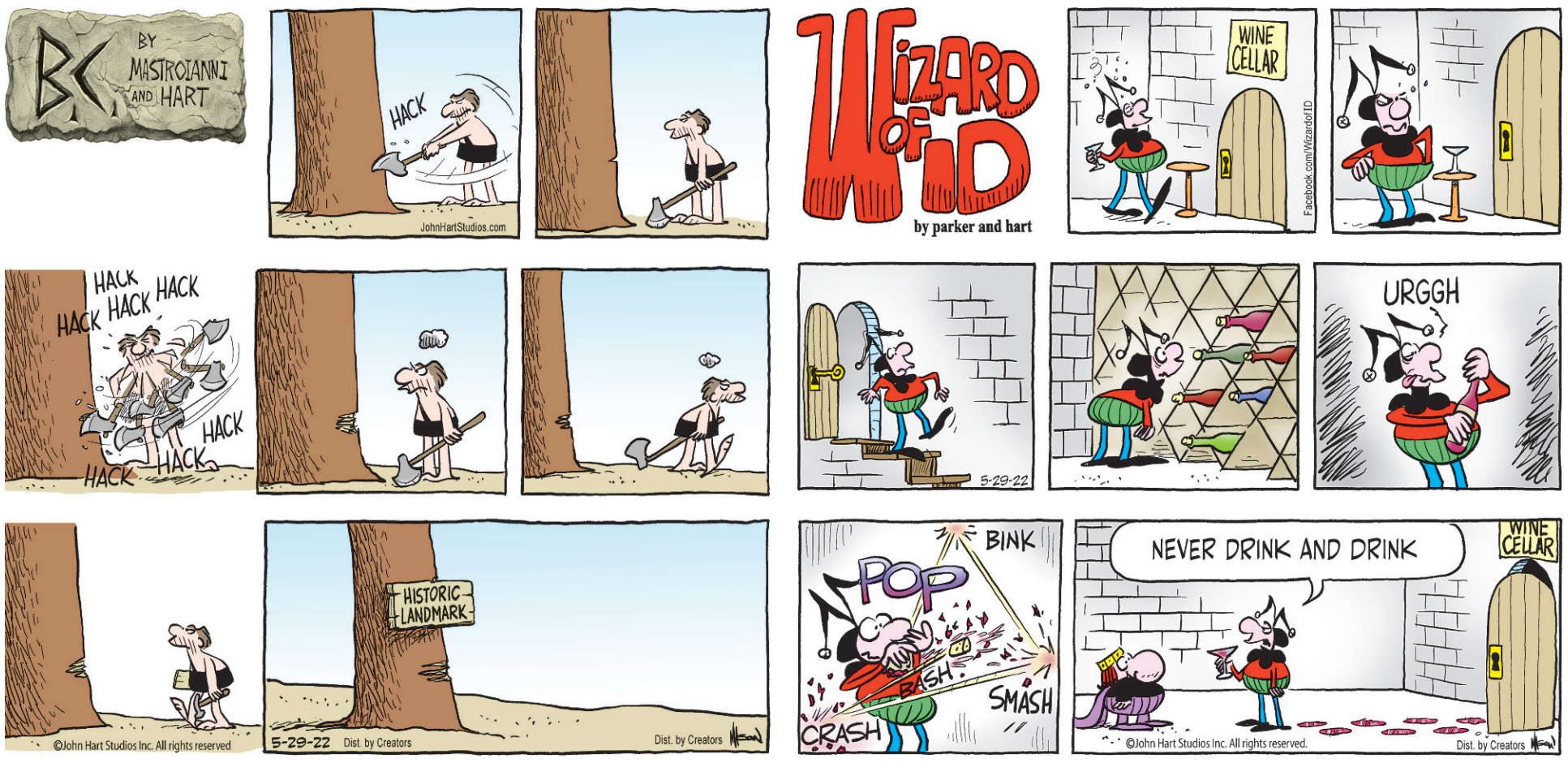
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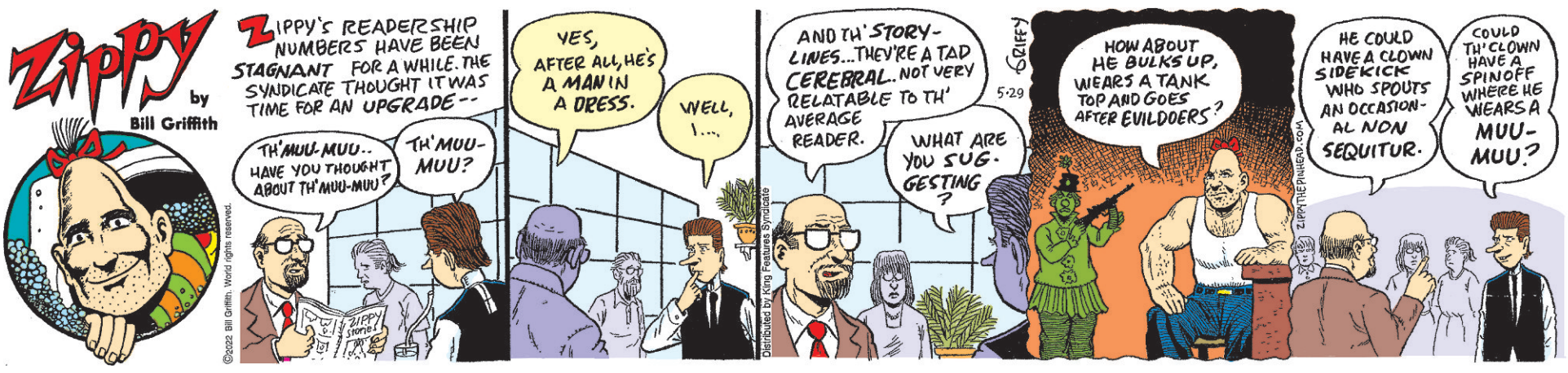


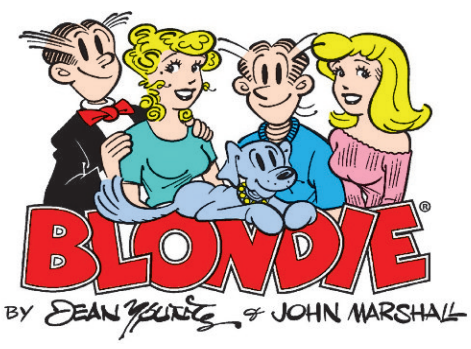
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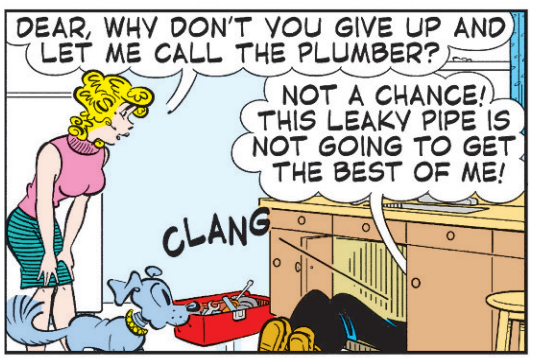
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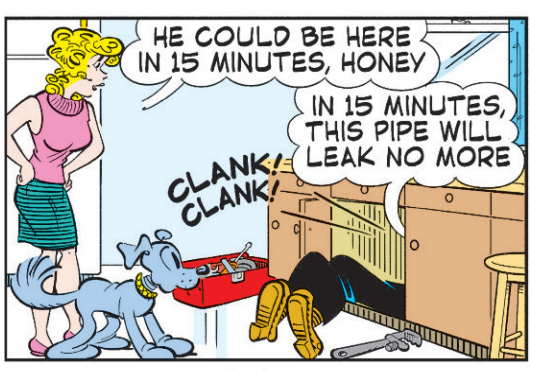




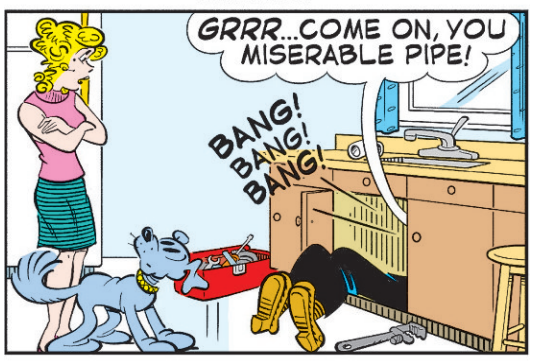


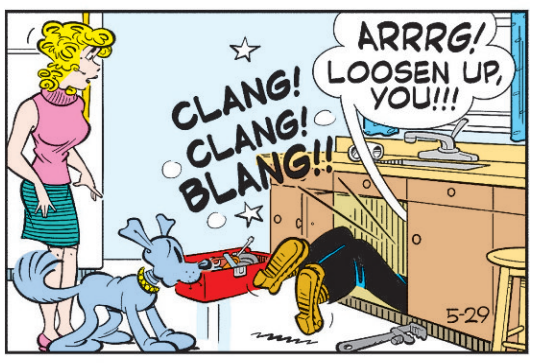




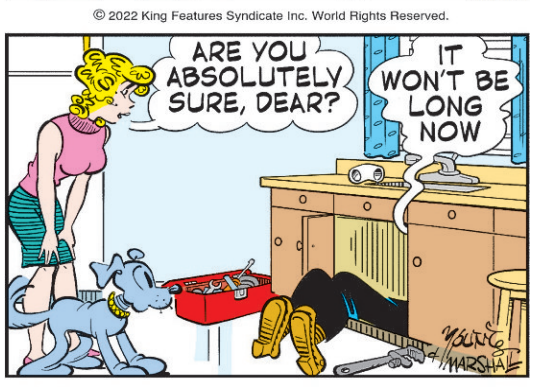


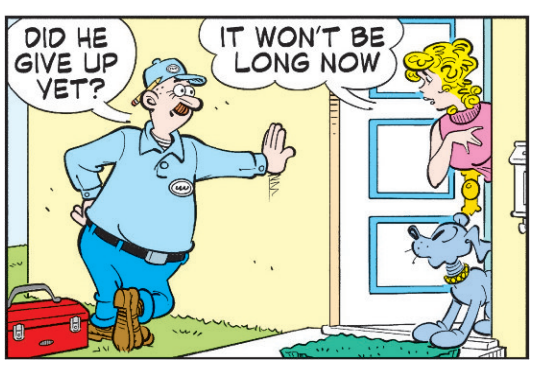
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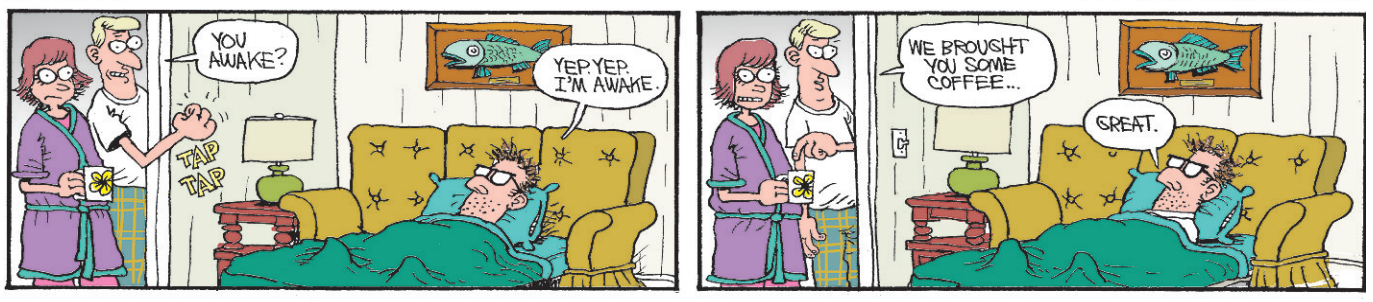


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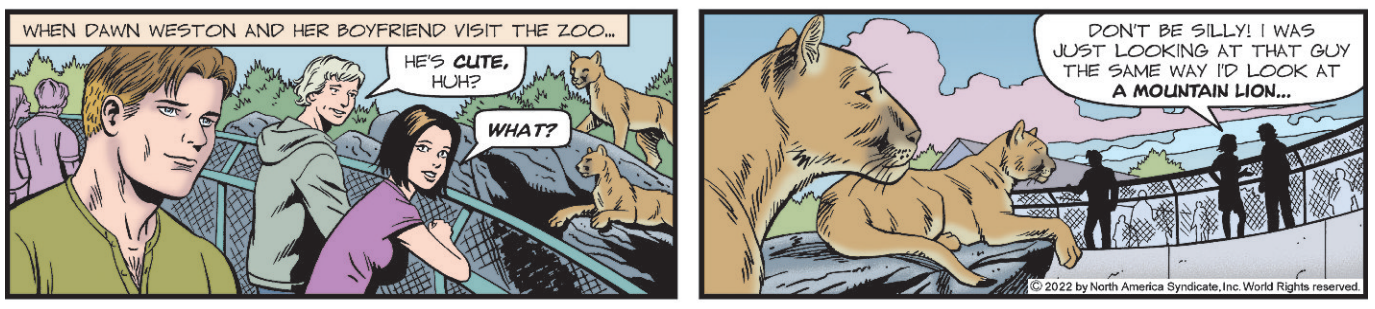


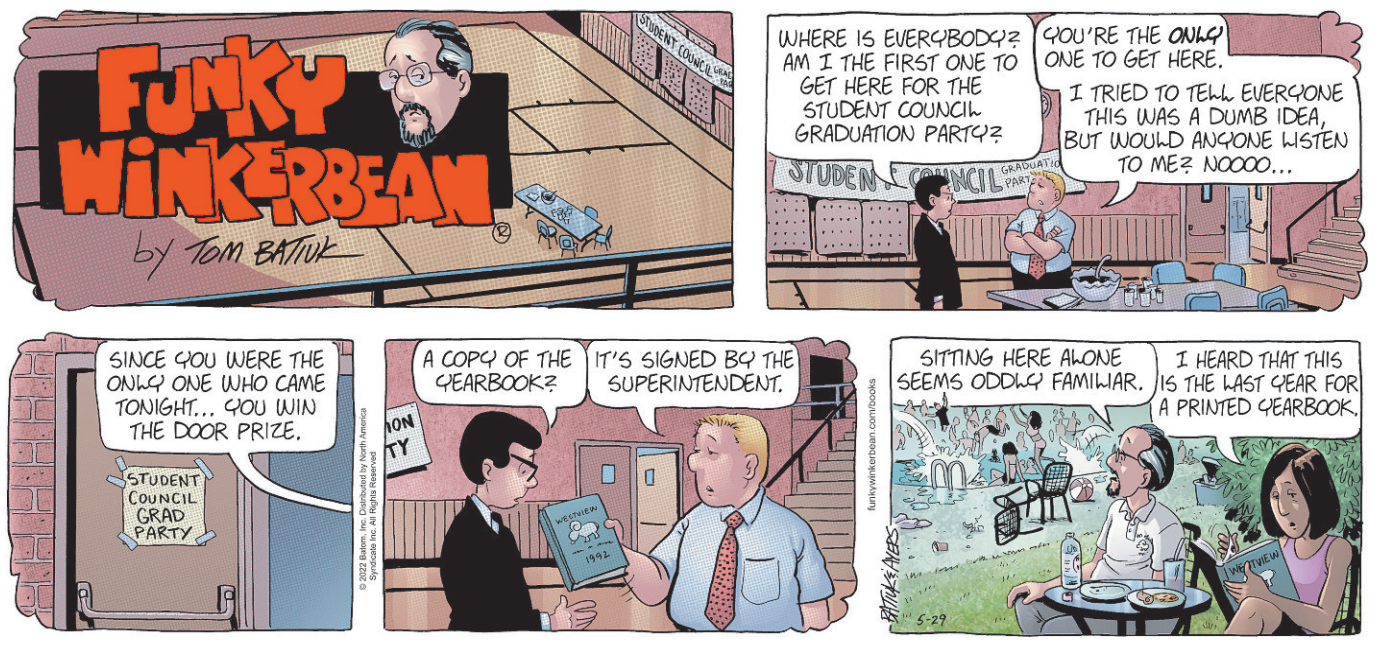


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A Day for Remembering

The National Memorial Day Concert (May 29 on PBS) will again pay tribute to service members, their families at home and all those who have given their lives for our country. This year, it will include a special salute to the late Gen. Colin Powell, who appeared at every annual concert since its inception 33 years ago. "This is a day for all Americans to pause and reflect on the bravery and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform," says *Criminal Minds* actor **Joe Mantegna**, 74, who for the 16th year will co-host the event with actor **Gary Sinise**, 67. "This show is one of the most rewarding things I have ever done."

Star Wars Reunion



After portraying Obi-Wan "Ben" Kenobi in three films, **Ewan McGregor**, 51, fires up his light saber again for the latest *Star Wars* spinoff, ***Obi-Wan Kenobi*** (May 27 on Disney+). The limited series picks up a decade after the events of *Revenge of the Sith* with Kenobi looking after a very young Luke Skywalker and preparing to face the evil Darth Vader. "I loved playing Obi-Wan again," the award-winning Scottish actor says. "I'm not going to give away anything about the storyline, only I think it's really going to satisfy *Star Wars* fans."

WALTER SCOTT ASKS...

ANGIE HARMON



The *Rizzoli & Isles* star returns to TV in the first installment of her new movie series, *Buried in Barstow* (June 4 on Lifetime). Harmon, 49, who also co-produces, plays Hazel King, a single mom who left Las Vegas and her job as a hired assassin to safely raise her newborn daughter. Now, nearly two decades later, the past catches up with her as she's pulled back into her old life.

You hadn't acted since *Rizzoli & Isles*. What drew you back? The most attractive thing about *Buried in Barstow* was it's about a mother's love for her child and how far we will go to protect them: as far as we can get away with.

Barstow is about halfway between Los Angeles and Las Vegas. Why did Hazel build her diner there? I think [in the movie] Barstow is like a starting-over ground zero for people. Everybody there is hiding something. Everybody has something they're ashamed of. And they're just trying to get back on their feet and build a new life, but also stay under the radar.

Hazel is on the opposite side of the law than Jane Rizzoli. I loved that she's slightly unpleasant. But that's her. When it begins, you're thinking, *God, what's her problem?* And then as the story builds, you start to see why she is the way she is.

What did you enjoy about the six years you spent on *Rizzoli & Isles*? I enjoyed to the absolute hilt playing Jane. She was such a fun character, and she was a haven for me. When we lost [*Rizzoli & Isles* actor] Lee Thompson Young [to suicide] and I went through a divorce [from Jason Sehorn], Jane was a safe place; I could disappear into her and get through the day. I will always, always be thankful for Jane Rizzoli.

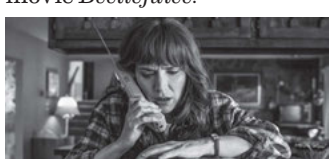
***Law & Order*, the TV franchise on which you played Assistant District Attorney Abbie Carmichael, has returned. Have you watched it?** I'm a single mom of three teenage girls. So sitting down in front of the TV at night is not really part of my schedule.

What activity is her "therapy"? Go to *Parade.com/harmon* to find out.

WHAT'S UP WITH WINONA



Part one of the fourth season of ***Stranger Things*** premieres May 27 on Netflix, and **Winona Ryder**, 50, reprises her role as a mom facing more supernatural threats in the sleepy town of Hawkins. Here are some fun facts about the actress, who made her breakthrough at age 15 in the Tim Burton movie *Beetlejuice*.









◂ She graduated from Petaluma High School in California in 1989 with a 4.0 GPA.

Born with the last name Horowitz, she took "Ryder" from the band Mitch Ryder & the Detroit Wheels.

◂ Her agent begged her not to do ***Heathers***, saying the 1988 dark teen comedy would be detrimental to her career. Today the film, co-starring **Christian Slater**, is considered a cult classic.

The Catcher in the Rye by J.D. Salinger is her favorite book.

◂ She dated her ***Edward Scissorhands*** co-star **Johnny Depp** for four years. They met at the premiere of her 1989 film *Great Balls of Fire!*

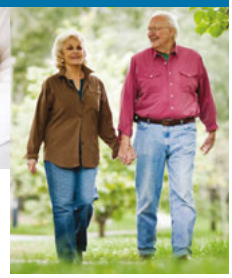
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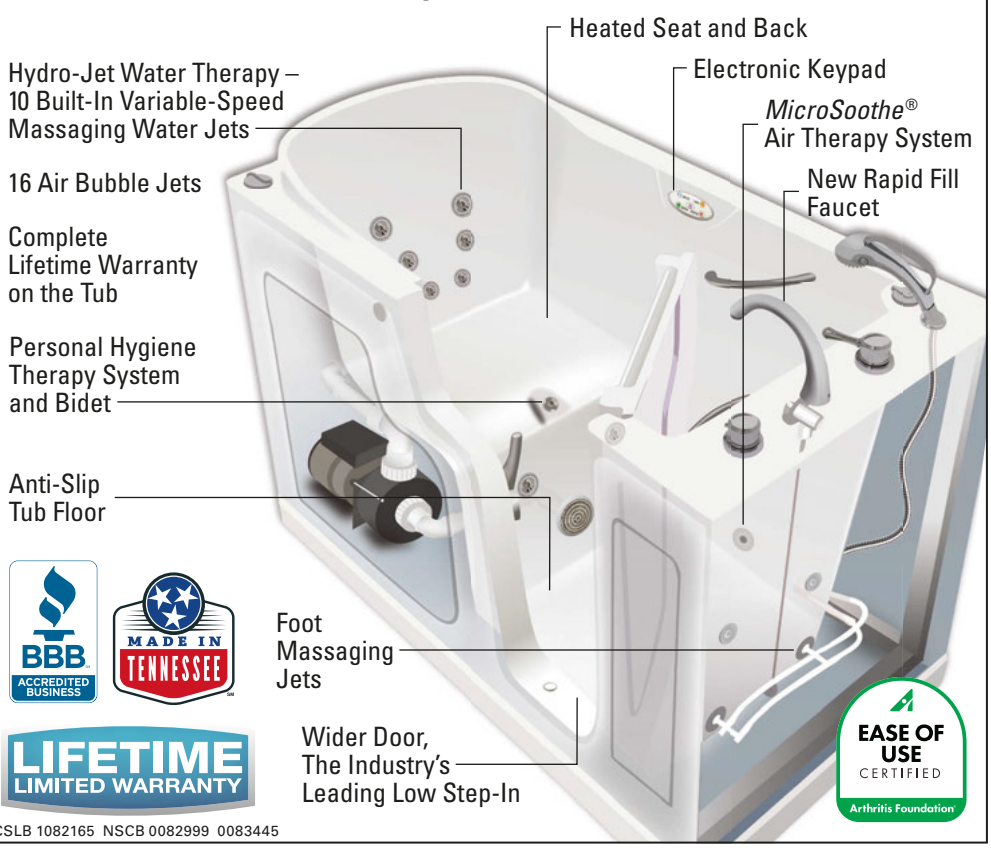
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Summertime Hits



Romances! Mysteries! Thrillers! Here are the books you won't want to put down this season. —*Megan O'Neill Melle*

1 For a ticking-clock heist novel set on a 47-hour train ride (with a cast that includes hackers, bankers, a murderous wife and a yippy dog), pick up James Grady's ***This Train*** (Pegasus Crime). **$26**

2 Adrian McKinty's ***The Island*** (May 17, Little, Brown and Company), soon to be a Hulu series, is an Australian-set thriller about a family vacation that turns into a nightmarish attempt to stay alive. **$28**

3 Two scheming, matchmaking octogenarians blackmail their grandchildren into a fake engagement in Natalie Caña's big-family rom-com ***A Proposal They Can't Refuse*** (June 7, Mira). **$16**

4 In ***More Than You'll Ever Know*** (June 7, William Morrow) by Katie Gutierrez, a woman's double life is exposed after one husband murders the other. Years later, a true-crime writer wants to tell her story. **$29**

5 One of the most anticipated summer memoirs, ***James Patterson: The Stories of My Life*** (June 6, Little, Brown and Company) details the author's astonishing road to success (he nearly died at birth, wrote the jingle line "I'm a Toys 'R' Us kid" and met James Taylor at a mental hospital). **$29**

6 Twenty-four years after *Election*—adapted into the 1999 cult-classic film starring Reese Witherspoon—Tom Perrotta returns with ***Tracy Flick Can't Win*** (June 7, Scribner), about the once-overachieving high schooler who is now a middle-aged assistant principal dealing with disappointment and frustrated ambition. **$27**

7 Will physical currency disappear? In ***Cloudmoney*** (July 5, Harper Business), Brett Scott discusses blockchain technology and the risks and rewards of cash, cards and crypto. **$30**

8 Filmmaker Werner Herzog's first novel, ***The Twilight World*** (June 14, Penguin), is based on the true story of Hiroo Onoda, a Japanese soldier who defended a small island in the Philippines for three decades after WWII ended. **$25**

9 A woman is determined to expose the con artist who ruined her life in ***The Lies I Tell*** by Julie Clark (June 21, Sourcebooks Landmark). **$28**

10 The relationship of two lifelong friends, now in the twilight of their lives, is tested (along with the destiny of a land trust they co-own in Maine) in ***Fellowship Point*** (July 5, Scribner) by Alice Elliott Dark. **$29**

11 Childhood friends reunite as adults and become successful video game developers in Gabrielle Zevin's modern love story ***Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow*** (July 5, Knopf). **$28**



12 A decade after an Oxford University porter is convicted of murdering a female student, something isn't adding up in Ruth Ware's latest murder mystery, ***The It Girl*** (July 12, Gallery/Scout Press). **$29**

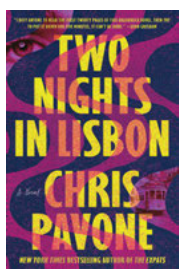
13 In the chilling literary thriller ***The Kingdoms of Savannah*** (July 19, Celadon) by George Dawes Green, a woman uncovers truths about a secret Southern community (formed by Black slaves who fought for the British during the Revolutionary War) and unveils the city's sinister history. **$28**

Melissa McCarthy is going to the dogs in the June 5 issue of *Parade*!

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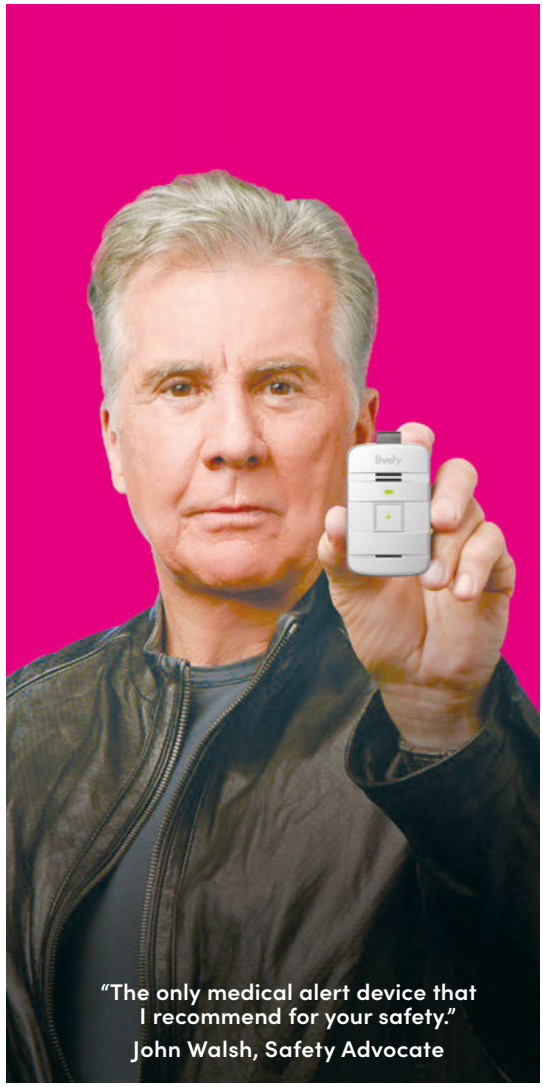
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E.T. IS 40!

How a wayward, wobbly little space alien forever won our hearts in 1982.

BY MARA REINSTEIN

Before there was *E.T. the Extra Terrestrial*, there was *Growing Up*. That was Steven Spielberg's original title for the story inspired by adolescent feelings of alienation after his childhood move to Arizona and his parents' divorce. The director likely didn't imagine that his most personal effort would be so universally relatable—and that four decades later the movie's awe-inspiring wonder would still hold a special place in the heart lights of its fans, who have embraced it as a nostalgia trigger for youthful innocence, adventure and the universal longing for home.

> "*E.T.* began with me trying to write a story about my parents' divorce."
> —*Steven Spielberg*

"Not only is it incredibly artistic, it pulls on many primal emotions from our childhood," says film critic Molly Haskell, author of the 2017 book *Steven Spielberg: A Life in Films*. "It's scary, and yet it's like the taming of a nightmare."

Most of us remember well the coming-of-age tale about Elliott (Henry Thomas), who befriends a wide-eyed extraterrestrial accidentally stranded on Earth. Along with his friends and family, Elliott must help "E.T." go home while evading government agents who are determined to derail those plans.

"I remember reading the script behind closed doors at the studio and thinking it would do a lot for the world," says Dee Wallace, who played Elliott's single mom, Mary. After premiering at the Cannes Film Festival, it became an instant cultural phenomenon as well as a Best Picture Oscar nominee with four wins. "This wasn't just a movie," Haskell says. "It was a blockbuster with incredible marketing that could play in any country."

Go to *Parade.com/et* to see the all-star cast then and now.

For its 40th anniversary, we "phone home" to celebrate the movie's enduring legacy.



THE FIRST KID CAST

The granddaughter of legendary actor John Barrymore, 6-year-old **Drew Barrymore** already had appeared in commercials and a few smaller films when she charmed Spielberg in her audition for little sister Gertie. On the set, "she was a feasty and talented little girl," says **Dee Wallace**, who played her mom. The first day of production "I was sitting in a tall director's chair and Drew looked at me and said, 'Hi, Dee, I'm going to sit in your lap now.'"



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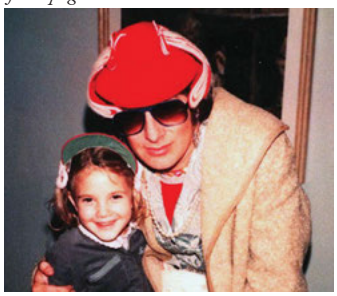
For **Henry Thomas**' audition, Spielberg asked the 9-year-old actor to improvise a scene in which a government agent (played by a member of the film's casting team) wants to snatch E.T. from him. Thomas immediately broke down in tears, begging the man not to take his far-out friend. The scene was so moving that Spielberg told him on the spot, "OK, kid, you got the job." You can watch the clip, which just might make *you* cry, on YouTube.

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TRICKS AND TREATS

In the Halloween scene (shot in October 1981), Elliott and his older brother (Robert MacNaughton) dress up E.T. so he can elude authorities and go into the forest to contact his mother ship. On the set, **Spielberg** joined the fun by dressing up as an old woman and bobbing for apples with the young cast members. "Steven really understands children and treated it like a big holiday," Wallace says. "He kept an organized set, but it was still loose."

$75

That's how much you'd pay on Ebay for an unwrapped vintage *E.T.* TV tray. More than 1,000 *E.T.*-related toys are available on the site.



FREE THE FROGS!

The scene in science class when Elliott frees all the frogs, saving them from dissection, is based on Spielberg's own past. He was apparently so aghast when asked to cut open a frog in school that he released several of the amphibians.





THAT BEATING HEART

The legendary **Neil Diamond** wrote the No. 5 hit "Heartlight" with Carole Bayer Sager and Burt Bacharach after the three saw *E.T.* at a screening in New York City. And though E.T.—whose beating heart did, indeed, light up through his translucent torso—is never mentioned by name, the lyrics do reference a certain bicycle ride "across the moon." Universal executives sued for copyright infringement and Diamond settled the case for a reported $25,000.

USING THE FORCE

Ever notice the *Star Wars* toys scattered around Elliott's room or how E.T. excitedly spots a child in a Yoda costume during the Halloween scene? That's Spielberg's nod to his friend George Lucas' *Star Wars* (1977). Lucas waved back in 1999's *Star Wars: Episode I—The Phantom Menace*: During the sequence set in the Galactic Senate Chamber, three E.T.s sit among the other races.



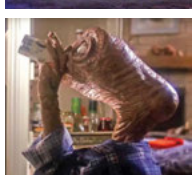
Where's Harrison Ford?

The *Raiders of the Lost Ark* star played a high school principal but ended up on the cutting room floor.









STEVEN SPIELBERG'S ALIENS

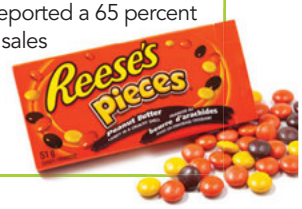
- The aliens in Spielberg's 1977 drama ***Close Encounters of the Third Kind*** had big heads and long arms.
- When brainstorming about *E.T.*, Spielberg thought of adapting the *Close Encounters* aliens. When that seemed too scary for the movie he had in mind, he repurposed the idea, turning the evil extraterrestrials into malevolent ghosts—and into the 1982 thriller ***Poltergeist***, which he co-wrote and co-produced (but didn't direct).
- There was more than one E.T. used for filming. Some were animatronic puppets operated by hydraulics; others were actors in various rubber getups. The scene where E.T. gets a little tipsy was performed by 11-year-old Matthew DeMeritt, an actor born without legs. A special E.T. suit allowed him to walk using his arms.



In the most iconic sequence, Elliott and E.T. soar on a bicycle into the moonlit sky to the sound of composer John Williams' majestic Oscar-winning score. (The image of a hooded boy on a bike in front of the moon still serves as the logo for Spielberg's Amblin Entertainment production company.) Visual effects supervisor Dennis Muren and his team at Industrial Light & Magic shot a low moon among the trees, using maps and charts to coordinate the scene. Elliott and E.T. were added during post-production.

STARRING REESE'S PIECES

In an alternate universe, E.T. could have been sweet on M&M's. But Universal Studios reportedly wouldn't let Mars executives read the final script, so the company passed on the cross-promotion. (Mars also didn't like the look of the alien.) When Spielberg's people approached the Hershey Company about using Hershey's Kisses, they instead suggested their new peanut butter-filled bits called Reese's Pieces, and agreed to spend $1 million on a cross-promotional campaign. The agreement paid off, as the company reported a 65 percent increase in sales two weeks after the premiere.



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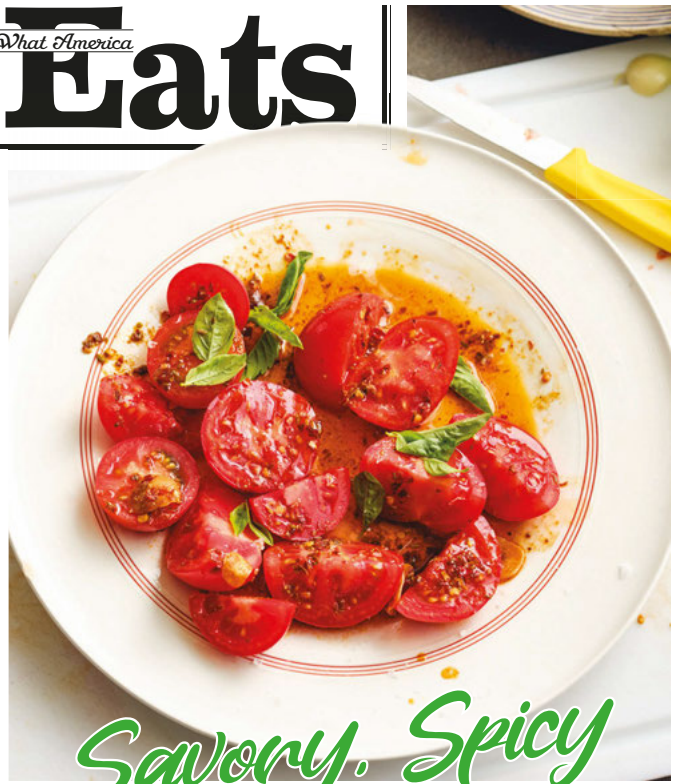
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JUICY TOMATOES WITH ITALIAN CHILE CRISP

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Arrange 2 lb **heirloom tomatoes** (any size), cut into wedges (or cherry tomatoes, some halved and some whole), on a large platter. Splash with 2 Tbsp **sherry vinegar** (or red wine vinegar). Spoon oil mixture over tomatoes and scatter 1 cup **basil leaves** on top. Sprinkle with plenty of flaky **sea salt**. **Serves 4.**

Visit ***Parade.com/cook*** for Baraghani's addictive fried-cheese recipe.

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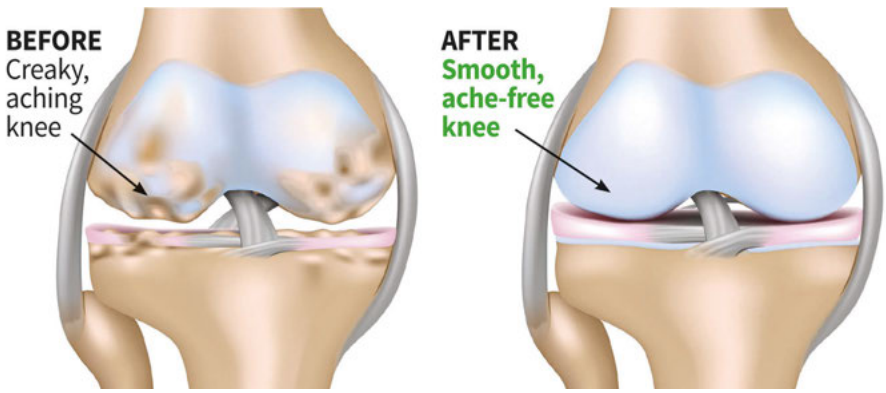
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LIVING WITH ARTHRITIS

What you need to know about the complicated disease and how to control it

By Lambeth Hochwald

May is Arthritis Awareness Month, and Elaine Husni, M.D., vice chair and director of the department of rheumatic and immunologic diseases at Cleveland Clinic, is happy there is some good news to share. When it comes to relieving symptoms, "there are options," she says. "We've tripled the number of medications out there for treatment, especially for inflammatory arthritis."

Parade spoke with two arthritis sufferers about the medications and lifestyle changes that help them control it and about the realities of living with the ailment.

Kari Martin



Martin, 33, a writer in Brownsboro, Texas, has had psoriatic arthritis for seven years. She works hard to decrease symptom flare-ups by eliminating inflammatory foods from her diet.

How she discovered it "When I was 26, I just wasn't feeling well. The fatigue was so intense that it was hard to get out of bed. Then I started noticing red patches on my elbows and on the sides of my feet. I tried athlete's foot cream, but nothing helped. I went to my primary care doctor first, and he did an X-ray and said I had arthritis in my back. When I was finally sent to a rheumatologist, I got some answers. She ran blood tests to check inflammation levels and immediately got me started on a psoriatic arthritis treatment plan."

What she does to control it "I initially did immunosuppressive therapy, which helped off and on. In 2018, I spoke with my rheumatologist about also trying to control it through diet. Now, I stay away from white bread, pasta, rice and white sugar. I've learned the hard way that when I eat those foods, I'll end up having a flare. While it's very difficult to eat completely clean, I've worked hard to change my diet as much as possible so I will feel well."

What she wants you to know "Find a doctor who is willing to listen. Be gentle with yourself, and don't compare your journey or symptoms to other people who have the same condition. Support groups are really helpful. I found that people in those groups talked a lot about how they couldn't get out of bed. I try to encourage them by sharing that I'm determined to never be bedridden—no matter what happens!"

Matt Wohlfarth



Wohlfarth, 58, a professional comedian in Pittsburgh, was diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis more than 20 years ago. "I wake up every morning feeling like the Tin Man from *The Wizard of Oz*!" he says. Stress reduction, dietary adjustments and medicine have helped him cope.

How he discovered it "When I was 34, I was headlining in comedy clubs, and I started noticing how my elbows would freeze up between shows. At first, I thought it was happening because I was holding the microphone in one position. Next, I started feeling razor-blade pain in my feet, my handshake got weak and I was super tired. After my internist did blood work I got my rheumatoid arthritis diagnosis."

What he does to control it "I'm still trying to control it, and I will say that stress definitely kicks things off. I started off on a Humira injectable once a week and now take Rinvoq in pill form, but I still feel the swelling in my hands and knees. For example, right now my left knee feels like I was tackled by an NFL player, so I'm wearing a knee brace. It definitely gets worse if I veer away from my gluten-free diet, which I just started a few months ago. When I eat bread or potatoes or pizza I feel it."

What he wants you to know "I was a really bad patient for the first few years, but my biggest advice is to listen to your doctor, take this seriously and, if you're diagnosed with a condition like this, do what you can to eliminate as much stress as you can. You won't die of this disease, but you'll die with it, so you need to manage it. Try to meditate, consider making changes to your diet and don't get caught up in all the things you can't do. Focus on all that you can do!"

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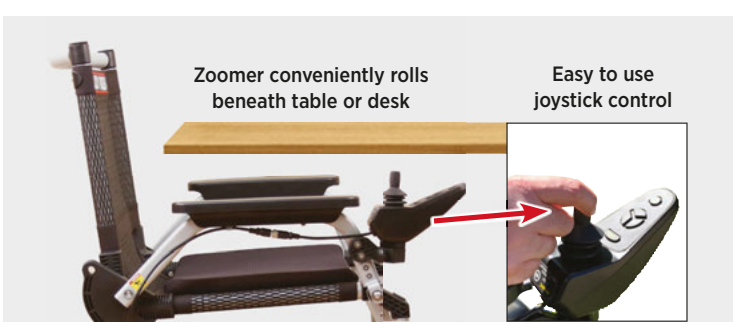
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INDY 500 PREVIEW

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Sunday, May 29, 2022

500 miles ... check. 33 drivers ... check. Hundreds of thousands of spectators ... check. And one bottle of milk ... check. Every Memorial Day weekend, the Indianapolis 500 takes over the sports universe, and a finish line made of brick becomes the center of it.



Ryan Hunter-Reay looks skyward as he kisses the bricks at the finish line after winning the 98th running of the Indianapolis 500 on May 25, 2014, at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. **JAMIE SQUIRE/GETTY**

HOME AGAIN

Indiana has its fair share of sports institutions and figures that transcend into the national consciousness. There's Notre Dame Fighting Irish football. Indiana Hoosiers basketball. Larry Bird. Oscar Robertson. Bob Knight. And then there's Indianapolis Motor Speedway. The Brickyard. And the Indianapolis 500, also known as The Greatest Spectacle in Racing. Few singular events on the sports calendar draw fans both expert and casual. Watching 33 cars hurtle around the track at speeds approaching 250 mph is enough to get anyone's heart racing. And for more than a century, the race has rarely disappointed. This year's edition will test rookies and veterans, with New Zealander Scott Dixon on the pole, and Helio Castroneves looking to build on his Indy legend with a fifth championship. Put the milk on ice.



106th Indianapolis 500

Track: Indianapolis Motor Speedway
Time: 12:30 p.m. ET Sunday
TV: NBC
Race distance: 200 laps, 500 miles
Last year: Helio Castroneves won after starting eighth.
Fast facts: Scott Dixon smashed the pole-winning record with a qualifying run at 234.046 mph, his fifth career pole in the race. Dixon's four-lap average broke Scott Brayton's record of 233.718 mph, set in 1996. Arie Luyendyk holds the overall qualifying record of 236.986 mph, also in 1996, but that didn't come in a run for the pole. ... Castroneves is tied with A.J. Foyt, Rick Mears and the late Al Unser for most career 500 wins with four.

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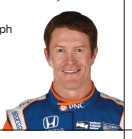
The lineup, row by row



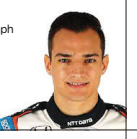


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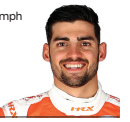
1. Scott Dixon (pole sitter)
Car: No. 9 Honda
Qualifying speed: 234.046 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 5
Race wins: 51
Championships: 6
Indianapolis 500 wins: 1



2. Alex Palou
Car: No. 10 Honda
Qualifying speed: 233.499 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 2
Race wins: 3
Championships: 1
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



3. Rinus VeeKay
Car: No. 21 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 233.385 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 10
Race wins: 1
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

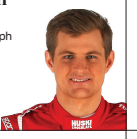


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4. Ed Carpenter
Car: No. 33 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 233.080 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 28
Race wins: 3
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



5. Marcus Ericsson
Car: No. 8 Honda
Qualifying speed: 232.764 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 8
Race wins: 2
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

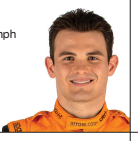


6. Tony Kanaan
Car: No. 1 Honda
Qualifying speed: 232.372 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 33
Race wins: 17
Championships: 1
Indianapolis 500 wins: 1

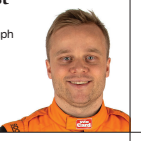


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7. Pato O'Ward
Car: No. 5 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 232.705 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 7
Race wins: 3
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



8. Felix Rosenqvist
Car: No. 7 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 232.182 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 14
Race wins: 1
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

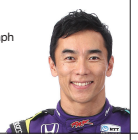


9. Romain Grosjean
Car: No. 28 Honda
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Current IndyCar rank: 9
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



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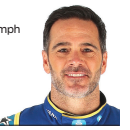
10. Takuma Sato
Car: No. 51 Honda
Qualifying speed: 231.670 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 13
Race wins: 6
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 2



11. Will Power
Car: No. 12 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 231.534 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 1
Race wins: 40
Championships: 1
Indianapolis 500 wins: 1

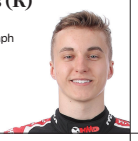


12. Jimmie Johnson
Car: No. 48 Honda
Qualifying speed: 231.264 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 22
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

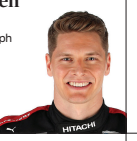


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13. David Malukas (R)
Car: No. 18 Honda
Qualifying speed: 231.607 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 19
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



14. Josef Newgarden
Car: No. 2 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 231.580 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 4
Race wins: 22
Championships: 2
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

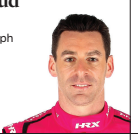


15. Santino Ferrucci
Car: No. 23 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 231.508 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 27
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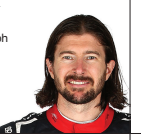


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16. Simon Pagenaud
Car: No. 60 Honda
Qualifying speed: 231.275 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 11
Race wins: 15
Championships: 1
Indianapolis 500 wins: 1



17. JR Hildebrand
Car: No. 11 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 231.112 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 29
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

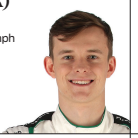


18. Conor Daly
Car: No. 20 Chevrolet
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Current IndyCar rank: 16
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

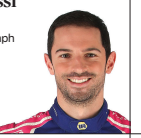


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19. Callum Ilott (R)
Car: No. 11 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 230.961 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 20
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



20. Alexander Rossi
Car: No. 27 Honda
Qualifying speed: 230.812 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 15
Race wins: 7
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 1

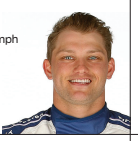


21. Graham Rahal
Car: No. 15 Honda
Qualifying speed: 230.766 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 12
Race wins: 6
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



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22. Sage Karam
Car: No. 24 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 230.464 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 34
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



23. Marco Andretti
Car: No. 98 Honda
Qualifying speed: 230.345 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 31
Race wins: 2
Championships: 0
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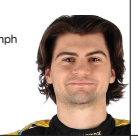


24. Devlin DeFrancesco (R)
Car: No. 29 Honda
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Current IndyCar rank: 24
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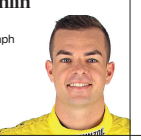


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25. Colton Herta
Car: No. 26 Honda
Qualifying speed: 230.235 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 6
Race wins: 7
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



26. Scott McLaughlin
Car: No. 3 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 230.154 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 3
Race wins: 1
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



27. Helio Castroneves
Car: No. 06 Honda
Qualifying speed: 229.630 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 18
Race wins: 31
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 4

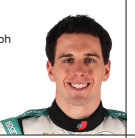


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28. Kyle Kirkwood (R)
Car: No. 14 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 229.406 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 23
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



29. Dalton Kellett
Car: No. 4 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 228.916 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 26
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0

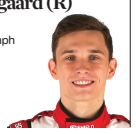


30. Juan Pablo Montoya
Car: No. 6 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: 228.622 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 30
Race wins: 15
Championships: 1
Indianapolis 500 wins: 2

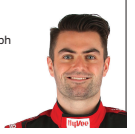


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31. Christian Lundgaard (R)
Car: No. 30 Honda
Qualifying speed: 227.053 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 17
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



32. Jack Harvey
Car: No. 45 Honda
Qualifying speed: 226.851 mph
Current IndyCar rank: 21
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Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



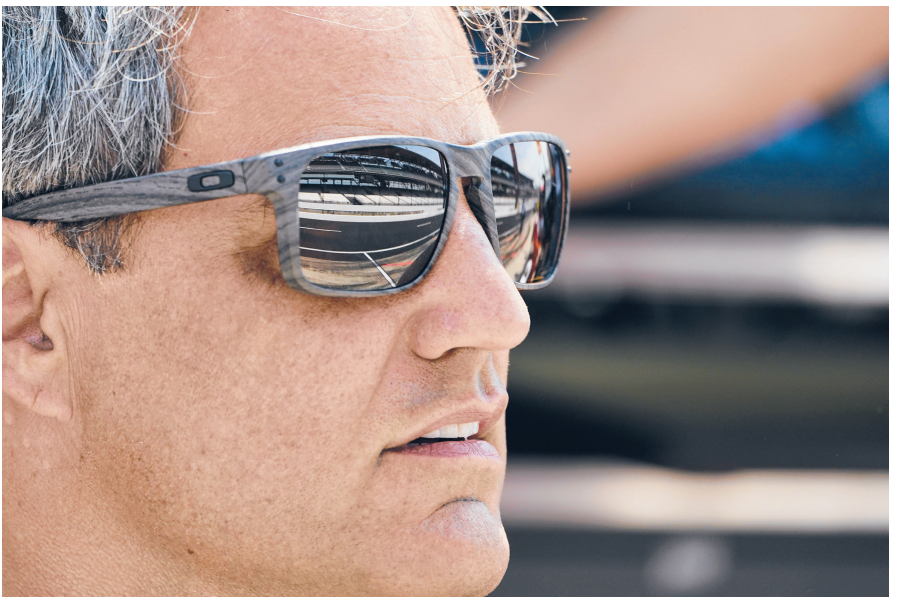
33. Stefan Wilson
Car: No. 25 Chevrolet
Qualifying speed: N/A
Current IndyCar rank: 35
Race wins: 0
Championships: 0
Indianapolis 500 wins: 0



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INDY 500 PREVIEW

A laser-focused vision



Juan Pablo Montoya watches from the pit area during practice for the Indianapolis 500 on May 20. MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Don't count Montoya out, he's only at Indianapolis to win

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

Oh, that's just Juan. That's what they say about Juan Pablo Montoya when he doesn't want to do something, pushes back on a request or simply pretends he can't hear what he's been asked. He is back at Indianapolis Motor Speedway for what might be the last time as a driver. He turns 47 in September and is focused on helping develop his son's career.

So when Montoya turned only two laps in 41 mph winds on "Fast Friday," and when he lagged behind in practice sessions or logged a disappointing qualifying run, some of his competitors wondered if the Colombian even wants to be in the race.

All of a sudden "that's just Juan" started shifting to "Juan's checked out."

Asked by Associated Press about fellow competitors assuming Montoya's not putting forth full effort at Indianapolis, he stared silently out the window of the Chevrolet Camaro shuttling him from an appearance.

"Good for them," he finally replied. And that was it.

Montoya is an enigma — always has been over a career spanning three-plus decades — in that he does what he wants when he wants. He's blunt, hard-headed and once was considered one of the best drivers in the world.

Like that time he showed up at the Indy 500 as a rookie in 2000 and led all but 33 of the 200 laps for the win. Or, just weeks later in the CART race at Michigan, when Montoya went wheel-to-wheel with Michael Andretti over nearly a dozen closing laps to win what's considered one of the greatest duels in American open-wheel history.

Montoya moved to Formula One the next season and in just his third race won a game of chicken with Michael Schumacher. Montoya refused to lift while racing for the lead, stubbornness that ran Schumacher off course.

Montoya collected seven F1 victories, winning at Monza, Monaco and Silverstone, before he tired of the politics and called Chip Ganassi to see if there were any seats for him in the United States. Ganassi said sure, come to NASCAR, and Montoya did that for seven seasons and a pair of Cup Series wins.

Then it was back to IndyCar and a return to Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the first time in 14 years. Montoya finished fifth in his second Indy 500.

The next year? Montoya won in 2015 for his second Indy 500 victory in three career starts.

Montoya's Indy 500 stat line is unreal: two wins in six starts and only one finish below ninth; he did not finish in 2016 when he was involved in a crash.

Taylor Kiel, president of the Arrow team, said Montoya is "absolutely" engaged and brings a breadth of knowledge and experience to an otherwise inexperienced Indianapolis lineup of Pato O'Ward and Felix Rosenqvist.

"I find Juan to be an additive to our program in a lot of ways, and he certainly has got a lot of experience. His resume speaks for itself," Kiel said Friday. "But what he provides for us is an opinion and a perspective that is fresh. He comes to this team for a month and he's able to give us a snapshot of where he thinks we are at, I think that is important.

"He is capable of winning this race from any starting position, and he's correct: The race is Sunday and I've got full confidence that's he'll move forward like he did last year."

So if Montoya doesn't think he needs to turn lap after lap at Indy to prepare for race day, he's going to tell Arrow McLaren SP that the race is not until Sunday and he's not risking his car. Montoya will drive for Arrow for a second consecutive year after finishing ninth last year. He is admittedly smarter, calmer and more calculated than he was at his heyday.

"I'm good. I don't need to pretend. The window where this car works is very small, and it's very hard to figure out," Montoya told AP. "I am the third driver on this team, I have the third car. If I wreck it before the race, then the fourth car I know is not going to be as good as the one I have now.

"Why take that chance? That's just stupid."

He still carries himself with the same confidence he had as a fearless 23-year-old new to American open-wheel racing. The only time he softens is when talking about his 17-year-old son, Sebastian, who will be racing in Monaco this weekend as Montoya makes what could be his final Indy 500 start.

Asked if he's still got the same desire, Montoya replied: "Did you watch Mid-Ohio last week?"

Indeed, he traveled from the road course race at Indianapolis on Saturday night two weeks ago to Ohio the next day to run an IMSA sports car event. Montoya rallied from a penalty to earn the class victory.

Montoya starts 30th on Sunday, his lowest ever in the Indy 500. He will have to pass an awful lot of cars to win a third Borg-Warner trophy, but he cautions anyone counting him out.

"I've never been a big believer of riding a really high wave and thinking 'I'm the best.' No, I just drive as hard as I can and do the best I can," Montoya said. "You've got to remember, I am 46 and racing kids who are like 22. The kids who are 22 feel like they are invincible and they don't get the bigger picture. The bigger picture is you need to be able to take care of your car for 500 miles to have any chance to win."

Will he be back again?

Montoya shrugs. He doesn't see any scenario in which he races against his son in the Indy 500 — the two were sports car teammates at Sebring earlier this year — but he doesn't know what's next.

"I won't come back and run Indy just to run Indy," Montoya said. "It has to be with a team that wants to win. If McLaren wants me to do it again, then I will do it again because I like this team and I won't come here if I don't believe I can win the race."

High-speed art

Indy 500 driver helmets styled to stand out

By Mark Long
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Stefan Wilson's first racing helmet was a hand-me-down from his older brother, Justin. So was his second one. And his third.

The Wilson brothers had designed the pattern together as youngsters growing up racing go-karts in England. When Stefan finally got a chance to style his own protective headgear, he decided to keep everything the same and just change the colors.

It worked for a while, but Stefan ultimately "went away from that to kind of create my own identity."

Now, he's eager to bring it back. Stefan has a specially painted helmet for the Indianapolis 500 that pays tribute to his early racing career and his older brother, who died after being struck by crash debris at Pocono Raceway in 2015.

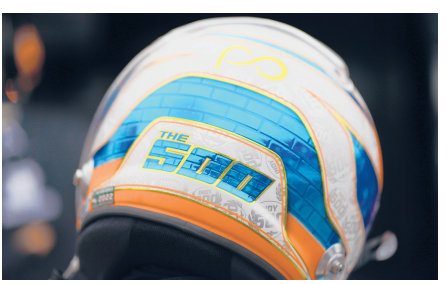
"It's kind of neat to go back to that idea that we both shared many, many years ago and bring that kind of full circle," said Wilson, whose helmet also features a British flag and remembers three friends who died in the last two years. "To be able to continue to see that pattern that he used, that was so easily identifiable as him, to continue using that pattern and just putting my own spin on it, it's special for me."

It's also part of a growing tradition at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, where more and more drivers are wearing one-off helmets fashioned to stand out during "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing." It's high-speed art that's showing no signs of slowing down.

JIMMIE JOHNSON: The seven-time NASCAR champion and Indy 500 rookie partnered with close friend and country music star Blake Shelton to honor family members who served in the military. Johnson's helmet features a red, white and blue paint scheme along with black-and-white photos of his grandfather and Shelton's brother and father.

PATO O'WARD: The Mexican driver is paying homage to famed Indianapolis Motor Speedway. "It's brick themed," O'Ward said. "You can actually feel the bricks. When I think of IMS, first of all, the bricks, right? You think of the brinks, you think of the milk.. I wanted a helmet that represented what I think of IMS when I first came here and, yes, the bricks. That's what you want to have the chance to kiss with your team whenever you win around here."

ROMAIN GROSJEAN: The Frenchman turned to sculptor and visual neo-pop artist Richard Orlinski to design his helmet.



Pato O'Ward puts on his helmet before practice for the Indianapolis 500 on May 22 in Indianapolis. DARRON CUMMINGS/AP

MARCO ANDRETTI: Andretti is commemorating his 250th IndyCar race with a helmet that includes pictures from some of his podium finishes and pole celebrations. Andretti turned to Ryan Young, who has designed helmets for NASCAR stars Kyle Larson and Denny Hamlin. "It's cool," Andretti said. "I already have about 50 on display in my library of the house. This one will go there for sure. In the past, I've paid tribute to a lot of my idols on helmets."

INDY 500 PREVIEW

Traditions like no other

From a yard of bricks to the 11 rows of 3, most things never change in Indianapolis

RACE WINNERS

2021 Helio Castroneves
2020 Takuma Sato
2019 Simon Pagenaud
2018 Will Power
2017 Takuma Sato
2016 Alexander Rossi
2015 Juan Pablo Montoya
2014 Ryan Hunter-Reay
2013 Tony Kanaan
2012 Dario Franchitti
2011 Dan Wheldon
2010 Dario Franchitti
2009 Helio Castroneves
2008 Scott Dixon
2007 Dario Franchitti
2006 Sam Hornish Jr.
2005 Dan Wheldon
2004 Buddy Rice
2003 Gil de Ferran
2002 Helio Castroneves
2001 Helio Castroneves
2000 Juan Pablo Montoya
1999 Kenny Brack
1998 Eddie Cheever Jr.
1997 Arie Luyendyk
1996 Buddy Lazier
1995 Jacques Villeneuve
1994 Al Unser Jr.
1993 Emerson Fittipaldi
1992 Al Unser Jr.
1991 Rick Mears
1990 Arie Luyendyk
1989 Emerson Fittipaldi
1988 Rick Mears
1987 Al Unser
1986 Bobby Rahal
1985 Danny Sullivan
1984 Rick Mears
1983 Tom Sneva
1982 Gordon Johncock
1981 Bobby Unser
1980 Johnny Rutherford
1979 Rick Mears
1978 Al Unser
1977 A.J. Foyt Jr.
1976 Johnny Rutherford
1975 Bobby Unser
1974 Johnny Rutherford
1973 Gordon Johncock
1972 Mark Donohue
1971 Al Unser
1970 Al Unser
1969 Mario Andretti
1968 Bobby Unser
1967 A.J. Foyt
1966 Graham Hill
1965 Jim Clark
1964 A.J. Foyt Jr.
1963 Parnelli Jones
1962 Rodger Ward
1961 A.J. Foyt
1960 Jim Rathman
1959 Rodger Ward
1958 Jimmy Bryan
1957 Sam Hanks
1956 Pat Flaherty
1955 Bob Sweikert
1954 Bill Vukovich
1953 Bill Vukovich
1952 Troy Ruttman
1951 Lee Wallard
1950 Johnnie Parsons
1949 Bill Holland
1948 Mauri Rose
1947 Mauri Rose
1946 George Robson
1945 No race (WWII)
1944 No race (WWII)
1943 No race (WWII)
1942 No race (WWII)
1941 Floyd Davis/Mauri Rose
1940 Wilbur Shaw
1939 Wilbur Shaw
1938 Floyd Roberts
1937 Wilbur Shaw
1936 Louis Meyer
1935 Kelly Petillo
1934 Bill Cummings
1933 Louis Meyer
1932 Fred Frame
1931 Louis Schneider
1930 Billy Arnold
1929 Ray Keech
1928 Louis Meyer
1927 George Souders
1926 Frank Lockhart
1925 Peter DePaolo
1924 Joe Boyer/L.L. Corum
1923 Tommy Milton
1922 Jimmy Murphy
1921 Tommy Milton
1920 Gaston Chevrolet
1919 Howdy Wilcox
1918 No race (WWI)
1917 No race (WWI)
1916 Dario Resta
1915 Ralph DePalma
1914 Rene Thomas
1913 Jules Goux
1912 Joe Dawson
1911 Ray Harroun

MULTIPLE WINS

4: Helio Castroneves, A.J. Foyt, Rick Mears, Al Unser

3: Dario Franchitti, Louis Meyer, Mauri Rose, Johnny Rutherford, Wilbur Shaw, Bobby Unser

2: Emerson Fittipaldi, Gordon Johncock, Arie Luyendyk, Tommy Milton, Juan Pablo Montoya, Takuma Sato, Al Unser Jr., Bill Vukovich, Rodger Ward, Dan Wheldon

LAP LEADERS

1. Al Unser Sr.	644
2. Ralph DePalma	612
3. Scott Dixon	570
4. Mario Andretti	556
5. A.J. Foyt	555
6. Wilbur Shaw	508
7. Emerson Fittipaldi	505
8. Parnelli Jones	492
9. Bill Vukovich	485
10. Bobby Unser	440
11. Michael Andretti	431
12. Rick Mears	429
13. Billy Arnold	410
14. Tony Kanaan	346
15. Gordon Johncock	339
16. Louis Meyer	332
17. Dario Franchitti	329
18. Helio Castroneves	325
19. Jim Clark	298
20. Bill Holland	297
21. Johnny Rutherford	296
22. Rex Mays	266
23. Rodger Ward	261
24. Mauri Rose	256
25. Dan Wheldon	235



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Award lives up to the height

In 1935, the Borg-Warner Automotive Company commissioned a trophy for the Indianapolis 500 for $10,000 ($211,000 in 2022). Ever since, the winner's likeness has been carved into the Borg-Warner Trophy. The 110-pound sterling silver prize was refurbished in 1992 and was valued at $1 million. Since 1988, each winner receives an 18-inch tall replica of the trophy called the Baby Borg.

TALL ORDER

The Borg-Warner Trophy is nearly as tall as the drivers who win it. Here's how it measures up with other trophies.



Borg-Warner Trophy	**64.75 inches**
Stanley Cup (NHL)	35.25 inches
Wanamaker Trophy (PGA)	28 inches
Larry O'Brien Trophy (NBA)	24 inches
Commissioner's Trophy (MLB)	24 inches
Lombardi Trophy (NFL)	20.75 inches
FIFA World Cup Trophy (Soccer)	14.4 inches

MORE TRADITIONS

What's with the milk?

Three-time winner Louis Meyer's mother told him that cold buttermilk would refresh him on a hot summer day, and when he celebrated with a glass of it after his 1936 win, a tradition was born. A dairy executive saw a photo of it and jumped at the marketing opportunity.

Today, drivers are given the choice of milk, so long as it isn't flavored. Of the 33 drivers, 26 have chosen whole milk, according to the Indianapolis Star. Tony Kanaan (above right, celebrating after his win in 2013), is among the six drivers who have chosen 2 percent milk. Juan Pablo Montoya, a two-time winner, gave no preference. Alas, buttermilk, deemed too perishable, no longer is an option.

Emerson Fittipaldi, who owned several orange groves in his native Brazil, heard boos when he opted for orange juice while celebrating his second Indy win in 1993. He learned the hard way that Indy traditions are serious business.

Kiss the bricks

As Indy traditions go, kissing the bricks is relatively new and foreign. It began outside the Indy 500 when NASCAR driver Dale Jarrett (below) won the third running of the Brickyard 400 in 1996.

Paying tribute to the yard of bricks at the finish line is nothing new. Not long after the facility was built in 1909, 3.2 million bricks were used to pave the 2½-mile track. Asphalt replaced all but the 1 yard of bricks at the finish line in 1961.



MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Back home again

The singing or playing of "(Back Home Again in) Indiana" at the race dates to 1919. But it wasn't until 1946 that the unofficial state anthem took its spot as part of pre-race festivities.

From 1972 to 2014 Jim Nabors belted out the tune almost every year. He died in 2017, and Jim Cornelison, known for full-throated renditions of the national anthem at Chicago Blackhawks games, took over in 2018.

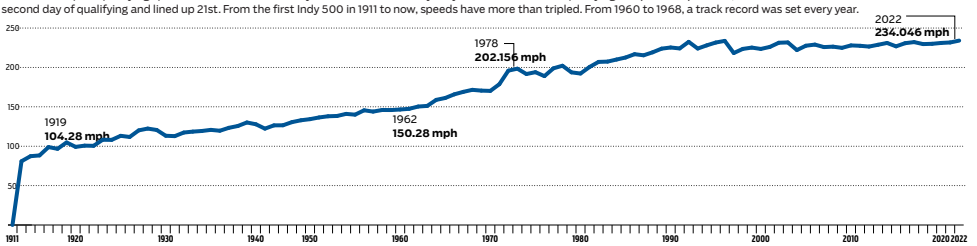
Where are the balloons?

One tradition absent from this year's race, making it the third year without them, is the balloon launch. Originally done as tribute to the first event at the speedway, a 1909 balloon race, the balloon release will not happen before the race this year because of pollution concerns.

Sources: Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Indianapolis Star

Top speed chart

Scott Dixon's pole qualifying speed of 234.046 broke a 26-year-old record. Arie Luyendyk turned the fastest qualifying run (236.986) in 1996, but he did it on the second day of qualifying and lined up 21st. From the first Indy 500 in 1911 to now, speeds have more than tripled. From 1960 to 1968, a track record was set every year.



Source: Indianapolis Motor Speedway

Nate Bloomquist/Tribune DPS